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Kinnock

fights for

By Philip Webster

CHIEF POLITICAL

CORRESPONDENT

NEIL Kinnock yesterday be-

gan a concerted campaign to regain the political initiative

after the election of John

Major and declared that he

would lead Labour into

The Labour leader dis-

its new policy on Europe, referring to the "substantial

advantages" of entry into

Labour's attempt to move

on to the offensive with

detailed expositions of its own

approach and claims that Mr

Major is maintaining Thatch-

erite policies has been hin-

dered by questions over Mr

Kinnock's leadership, intens-

ified by a weekend poll

suggesting that the party might

In his first remarks about

do better if he stepped down.

the speculation, Mr Kinnock

said that the only valid opin-ions were those of his col-

leagues. "With one voice, they

"The only joy I take from all

this is the fact that, with such a

spread of confidence among

my colleagues, it removes any worry I might have had about what might be called the 'number 11 bus problem'. Consequently, not only will Labour be well led to victory

and into government by me but, for decades after that,

there are clearly large supplies

of people of high quality who

can succeed me when even-

tually I decide to depart the

At the education launch,

John Cunningham, Labour's

campaign co-ordinator, said

talk of Mr Kinnock standing

down was "absolute arrant

nonsense." Sitting next to Mr

Kinnock, he said: "Where

does all this nonsense come

from? Labour has had an

outstanding period of regeneration and recovery

under the leadership of Neil

Kinnock which culminated in

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have shown that the whole thesis put forward is absurd.

That is certainly my view.

monetary union.

Europe refuses to budge on subsidies

Gatt talks head for disaster amid farm riots

From Peter Guilford and Michael Binyon in Brussels

ATTEMPTS to create a global free trade regime were heading for disaster last night as Europe clashed with the rest of the world over its refusal to make deeper cuts in farm subsidies.

The conflict spilt on to the streets of Brussels yesterday when more than 30,000 farmers demanded that their subsidies be protected. Paramilitary police fired tear gas and water cannon to control the demonstrators after they tore out trees and traffic signs, and burned tyres.

More than a hundred countries are aiming to adopt a strategy to free commerce for the next century within five days, after four years of negotiations. But the process is stumbling over demands by America and other nations that European farm subsidies be cut by between 75 and 90 per cent. The community is offering only a fraction of those cuts. The 14-nation Cairns group, led by Australia, threatened to leave the talks today if the community did

not shift its stance. Peter Lilley, the trade and industry secretary, said that "a

INSIDE

Police blamed

A judge yesterday called for an

report on the shooting by

police ten years ago of Gail

Kinchin, a pregnant 16-year-

old girl, who was being used as

a shield by her boyfriend. He

awarded her mother £8,155

Carling, the England

captain, will meet officials of

the Rugby Football Union

today to answer accusations that he contravened amateur

Large post-war council hous-

ing estates have become cen-

tres of deprivation where the

poorest 20 per cent live in

worse conditions than those in

Hull, Britain's only city which

runs its own telephone ser-

vice, is anxious to take charge

of all services now controlled

Russia for sale

paliament overcame bitter

Curfew imposed

A curfew was imposed on

yesterday after battles between rival factions killed at least 64

October, casting doubt on

evidence that the govern-

ment's counter-inflationary

squeeze has reined back

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Carla Hills: "Time for

crisis was brewing" at the taiks. Britain's dependence on trade put it among those nations most perilously ex-posed to global recession if the talks broke down. Failure would throw the world back into protectionism and "beggar-my-neighbour" policies.

Arthur Dunkel, director-general of Gatt (General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade) said the so-called Uruguay round of talks had only one week to achieve results. This leaves us with no option but to negotiate, negotiate and negotiate and waste no time in political shadow boxing or mutual recrimination."

Carla Hills, the American hangs in the balance. This is ional dress, others in animal enguity into the deliberate the final, I repeat the final, masks, then moved to a park suppression by West Mid-week of the Uruguay round. near by for a rally denouncing lhere will be 110 extei The time for rhetoric has passed. Now is the time for straight talk and bottom lines." Her remarks destroyed any hopes that the Gatt talks could be delayed until February, giving America just enough time to push the results through Congress on

the "fast track" by March 1. Mrs Hills systematically dismissed crucial elements of the EC's complex reform package, describing the agri-culture deadlock as the only obstacle to a worldwide economic renaissance. She put the prize for success at more than \$4,000 billion in the 1990s. If successful, the agreement would bring textiles, farming, copyright and invest-ment rules under the control of a single free trade regime. Most delegates want one global package or nothing, so the farm dispute could scup-

per the entire deal. The bitterness is focused on

the community's refusal to make specific cuts to its export subsidies. The Americans want them cut by 90 per cent, and all other support reduced by three-quarters. Brussels has offered to cut internal support by 30 per cent from 1986 levels, but refuses to commit itself to explicit cuts in export subsidies or to better access to its market, saying these would flow from its offer. The European agriculture commissioner Ray MacSharry

did not appear to have any room to negotiate. He said yesterday: "The only flexibilty I have is to explain in detail the impact which reductions in internal support will have on export subsidies and market access." Washington dismissed that as posturing, while Australia accused Mr MacSharry of poor arithmetic. Richard Crowder, the American under-secretary for agri-culture, added: "We don't need more explanations. We understand the policies. We need real movement."

Outside the European Commission building, Brussels was under siege yesterday. Traffic was at a standstill, Metro stations were sealed and armoured troop carriers and police buses dominated the streets in an attempt to keep

Brandishing pitchforks and trade representative, said blowing whistles, the farmers there was a danger of a slide surged down streets only to be surged down streets only to be towards protectionism and halted outside the deserted political instability if the talks

European Parliament. The failed. "The fate of the round crowd, some dressed in natthe Gatt talks. Chris French of Britain said: "It's an expression of farmers' concern that we will not be sold down the river."

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French minister gives hint of visit to Iraq

By Michael Knipe and Susan ellicott

ROLAND Dumas, the French House of Commons, however, foreign minister, said yesterday that he did not rule out state at the Foreign Office, a visit to Iraq in the wake of the planned visit by James Baker, American secretary of state, later this month.

by Humberside...... Page 5 His words raised speculation that other western ministers might follow in Mr The Russian Federation Baker's footsteps, if only to reinforce the international opposition to vote for the community's determination principle of private ownership to force President Saddam Hussein to withdraw his

forces from Kuwait. An additional benefit would be to placate their own antiwar factions at home. In the

said there were no plans for Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, to go to Iraq.

Richard Cheney, the American defence secretary, said in Washington that the administration was prepared to appeal to its anti-Iraq allies to increase contributions towards the costs of the Gulf operation and helping countries hit hard by higher oil prices and sanctions.

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> > hospitals, the Civil Defence has set up

BA plans joint airline with base in Berlin By HARVEY ELLIOTT, AIR CORRESPONDENT BRITISH Airways is recruit- British Aerospace ATPs based long experience. The aircraft

Face of rebellion: a rebel soldier yesterday guarding the entrance to the armed forces beadquarters in Buenos Aires after a dawn mutiny

ing pilots from throughout permanently in Berlin, Europe to form crews for a providing 86 daily flights to new airline based in Berlin. The airline, in which BA will have a 49 per cent stake, could become one of biggest and most powerful in the world, providing a network of services linking cities in East and

continents. It is hoped that the airline for which no name has yet missed speculation over his been chosen - will be operaown position as absurd as he tional by the spring and launched his party's plans for provide direct competition improving school standards, with Lufthansa, while turning and Roy Hattersley outlined Berlin into a formidable with Lufthansa, while turning "hub" airport. An advertisement for crew is to appear in tomorrow's edition of Flight International and calls for both pilots and co-pilots with licences which are "acceptable to the German authorities" to write to a box number. No mention is made of BA in the advertisements but an airline

West Europe with other

spokesman last night con-firmed that it had placed the advertisements. The airline has been working on ways of maintaining a base in Berlin since unification led to foreign carriers by 1993. At present BA has a and the Far East, and BA was fleet of nine Boeing 737s and determined to build on its

nine German cities. Under the new rules BA would have to reduce the number of seats it provides by 20 per cent in April and then make cuts of 10 per cent every six months beyond that In talks with German investors, Community. however, BA has received

airline which would be 51 per cent owned by Germans but operated by BA. ment in Berlin began during Berlin into a formidable the airlift when the allied Brussels because of objections powers were asked to keep the city supplied in the face of East German and Soviet land blockades. When the Berlin wall collapsed Pan Am, which had provided the bulk of services to Berlin, sold out its interest to Lufthansa which is back at Tegl airport for the

world war. Economists and aviation experts now predict a boom in air links within the new Germany and to cities in the Eastern block as well as an increased demand for longeffectively being ordered out haul services to both America

first time since the second

in its fleet will be registered in Germany and licences will be granted by the German authorities before the planned liberalisation of all European air services in 1993. From then on, under existing proposals, any airline will be free to fly where it likes within the

The new airline is part of enthusiastic backing for a new BA's strategy of developing hubs in central Europe. One such proposal - to take a stake in Sabena World Airways Jongside KLM and Sabena is now being held up in to the creation of a near monopoly at Brussels and the nearness of other key international airports.

British Airways is finalising plans for a new airline operating from Moscow to be called Air Russia which it hopes to from jointly with Aeroflot. The Berlin-based airline would be even bigger, how-ever, and could be ready within months. Some believe it could grow rapidly to become almost as big and powerful as BA is today within the next 15 years, leading to a significant increase on the 1,000 staff employed by BA in

Artillery attack on Argentine rebels

From MICHAEL SOLTYS IN BUENOS AIRES

PRESIDENT Menem of Argentina ordered an artillery barrage yesterday on rebel Buenos Aires infantry garrison in a dawn mutiny in which three soldiers died. Field guns opened fire at the Patricios garrison two miles from the city centre. The rebels fired

back with mortars. Army headquarters in the centre of Buenos Aires, the nearby coastguard headquarters and a tank factory were also in rebel hands. The rebels said they recognised President Menem as commander-in-chief but demanded the appointment as army chief of a retired colonel, Mohamed Ali Seineldin, a commando officer and selfstyled Falklands war hero, who led a rebellion against President Alfonsin's government in December 1988.

The rebels struck two days before President Bush's visit to Buenos Aires, seriously embarrassing President Menem, who declared a state of siege in the capital.

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Tory storm over racist attack

By Peter Victor

the barrister widely tipped to become the first black Conserfellow party member as a "bloody nigger". The statement drew condemnation offering his support. from Conservative MPs.

The row began yesterday following Mr Taylor's selection as prospective parliamentary candidate for Cheltenham on Saturday, William Galbraith, aged 54, who on Saturday seconded a motion calling for Mr Taylor's adoption to be delayed, said yesterday: "I don't really think we should give in to a bloody nigger even though Central Office have foisted him upon us. We are here to repel the

Single currency, page 6 | Education plans, page 24 | invader." Norman Tebbit angrily con-

A POLITICAL storm blew up demned Mr Galbraith's attack last night after John Taylor, on Mr Taylor and described it as "ignorant". He dismissed the outburst as the rantings of vative MP, was described by a a man "who holds no position or power" within the party

and has written to Mr Taylor

Mr Taylor said he would not be taking any action over Mr Galbraith's remarks. "I just feel very sorry for this man," he said. "It is not worth taking any action over his comments. I have got a job of work to do in Cheltenham and I want to get on with it."

 The prime minister yesterday gave his full backing to Mr Taylor (Nicholas Wood writes). Government sources said that John Major welcomed Mr Taylor's candidacy.

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Earthquake fever hits seven on Richter scale

From Charles Bremner IN NEW YORK

THOUSANDS of people across America's Midwest have braved freezing weather to stay outside in case the ground opens beneath them, the mighty Mississippi reverses its

flow and Elvis is rocked in his grave. The source of the biggest panic in memory to strike the normally sober heartland of America is a prediction by Iben Browning, a self-taught climatologist and business consultant, that the region would witness a cataclysmic earthquake either yes-

terday or today. The scorn of geologists and the mockery of the rest of the country has not been enough to deter residents, from Little Rock, Arkansas, to Chicago, Illinois, from taking precautions. Schools and offices across

Missouri and Kentucky have closed. In Memphis, Tennessee, corporations have told employees to stay home. Women and children have been sent away and some have set up tents in cotton fields. Even in Chicago, schools have been advising children how to shelter under desks.

The epicentre of the quake fever is the small Missouri town of New Madrid, which lies on a fault line that produced the most powerful earthquake in American history in 1811. According to legend that tremor, estimated at eight on the Richter scale, reversed the Missouri and

Mississippi rivers. The authorities have been deluged with calls from fearful citizens reporting mysterious bubbling along the rivers, but they insist the waterways are doing nothing strange. Emergency equipment has been shipped in to

a control centre and the National Guard is on the alert.

Geologists have long predicted tremors along the 120-mile New Madrid fault, but all scoffed at Mr Browning's forecast. However, Mr Browning, who claims to have predicted last year's San Francisco earthquake and the 1980 eruption of Mount St Helens volcano in Washington state, insisted that New Madrid was in for an earthquake measuring at least seven on the Richter scale. He has based his prediction in part on unusually strong tidal forces, which reached a 60-year-

peak early yesterday morning. The town of 3,000 people, in the heart of the cotton-picking district, adopted something of a carnival atmosphere as reporters, preachers, tourists and rock bands flooded its

passed without a tremor. Mr Browning reminded sceptics that today was also a high risk day. The earthquake madness has also

furnished fuel for the millenniumwatchers. End-of-the-world predictions, plentiful in the 1790s and 1890s, are expected to multiply as the third millennium approaches in nearby Memphis Elvis Presley

preserve the late singer's home and burial site. "If the earth opens up I can't wait to see if Elvis is really in that grave," said one nightclub owner. Eliasha Streicher, a preacher from Cincinnati, noted that he appeared to arrive just in time to save the town's soul. "The entire town needed to

the moment of greatest tidal forces

fans are standing guard to help

repeat its sins, and fast" or God would detroy the city in 40 days.

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Poorest left behind in worst council housing, study says

centres of deprivation where sector tenants. the poorest 20 per cent of the population live in conditions that are worse than the inner cities, according to a report

A Glasgow university team, led by Professor Duncan Mclennan, found that the during the past decade those who could afford to move out of council estates had done so, leaving the poorest people

The study, Paying for Britain's Housing, found that almost three quarters of council tenants relied solely on and the fact that most had state benefits for their income. paid off their mortgages. It blamed poverty traps created by housing benefit and social security regulations for preventing thousands of the preventing indusants of the cent of an indusences, proporest people from breaking London (33 per cent) and out of what Professor Birmingham (40 per cent) Mclennan described as "the grimmest housing cent and in Newcastle upon

He said: "The Thatcher decade saw those who could getting out of the social housing sector and into ownercome households now live in the worst housing in the worst neighbourhoods. Those are £7,80 not in the inner cities but in the large post-war council housing estates, five to eight miles from city centres.

"We are not just talking about the peripheral estates of Glasgow. This type of housing Lodger can be found in Birmingham, Sheffield and Newcastle, It is the more isolated peripheral estates that now show the

worst housing problems."
Professor Mclennan said that 20 per cent of the population had become so detached in income terms from the wealth of the nation that it was almost impossible for them to catch up with the rest of society. While unemployment had played an important part in causing deprivation on council estates, most of those claiming benefit were disabled, long-term sick elderly or single parents."So even if the economy picks up it will by no means resolve the problems that these estates

Seventy per cent of council tenants aged under 24 were on welfare benefit, a proportion which fell to 57 per cent of those aged between 25 and 44 and 51 per cent of those aged 45 to 59. Among pensioners 79 per cent of council tenants

LARGE post-war council 57 per cent of owner-occupiers for of every extra £1 they housing estates have become and 66 per cent of private earned. "Instead of creating

Professor Mclennan said: "I want to get out we have cannot stress enough the ex-tent to which there is benefit dependence among those who live in the social rented The survey found that

pensioners in council housing had virtually no assets baving spent all their savings, if they had any, before they retired By contrast owner-occupiers enjoyed the benefits of what Professor Mclennan described as a "virtuous triangle" of the value of their homes, savings The survey showed that the

lowest level of dependence on benefits was in Bristol (32 per cent of all households), Tyne and Sheffield 45 per

When it came to breaking out of dependency on the state Professor Mclennan said the worst difficulties were faced by families with a combined

Paying for Britain's Housing

redundancy.

opportunities for those who

created penalties for those who try to climb out of the poverty trap," Professor Mclennan said. "If John Ma-

ior's vision of an opportunity

society is to become a reality

we are going to have to

Not all of the poor were tenants. In Bristol, half of

those with incomes below

£5,200 were owner-occupiers,

many of them elderly. Overall

10 per cent of owner-occupiers

had problems paying their mortgages. While high interest rates played a significant part

a lot of those with repayment

problems had suffered from other difficulties such as

Summing up his findings Professor Mclennan said: "It

is misleading to say there is a housing crisis in Britain. The

vast majority of the people in

our survey were convinced that they lived in the best part

of town. But there are major

localised difficulties."

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Mrs Robinson being applanded yesterday by (from left) Charles Haughey, prime minister, John Murray, attorney general, Patrick Hillery, former president, and ex-prime ministers Liam Cosgrave and Jack Lynch

Ireland's woman president sworn in

By EDWARD GORMAN, IRISH AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

MARY Robinson, Ireland's first woman president, was officially inaugurated in Dublin yesterday and said that her term in office would be dedicated to "justice, peace and love". Mrs Robinson, aged 46, a human rights lawyer and former Irish senator,

also extended her hand in friendship and reconciliation to the people of Northern Ireland, a place she said that was close to her heart.

In her first speech at Dublin castle, immediately after being sworn in as Ireland's seventh president, she said: "As the person chosen by you to symbolise this Republic and to project our self image to others, I will seek to encourage mutual understanding and tolerance between all the different communities sharing this island."

The 45-minute official ceremony was attended by 500 guests including, Charles Haughey, the Irish prime minister, church leaders and members

of the diplomatic corps, including Sir Nicholas Fenn, the British ambassador. Also present were Northern Ireland politicians, most notably Ken Maginnis, the Ulster Unionist party security spokesman and MP for Fermanagh and South Tyrone. His presence reflects the generally warm response in the unionist community to

Mrs Robinson's election. They appreciate her belief that articles two and three of the Irish constitution, which claim jurisdiction over Northern Ireland, should be modified so as not to represent a threat to the Protestant community, and her decision to resign from the Irish Labour party because she considered the Anglo-

Irish Agreement umfair to unionists.

Mrs Robinson, whose signing of the
Presidential Declaration of Office was marked by a 21-gun salute, was elected to the largely ceremonial office on November 9. Her election is being

widely interpreted as a milestone on the way to a more open, pluralist and modern Irish society.

As well as being the first woman president, she is the first candidate to succeed to the presidency without the backing of Mr Haughey's Fianna Fail party. Mrs Robinson is also the first Liberal and the first feminist president. She brought together in her campaign traditional supporters of the parties on the extreme left and the centre right.

It is already being said that, while Mrs Robinson has no real power, her presence in the official residence in Pheonix Park is making Fianna Fail modify its uncompromising approaches to social issues such as divorce and abortion, and to contemplate more flexible positions on political issues such as the future of articles two and

BBC wins on Tory coverage

By MELINDA WITTSTOCK MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

RECORD numbers of viewers turned to BBC television for news in the three weeks that led to the resignation of Margaret Thatcher and the election of John Major as prime minister, ratings fig-

with The Nine O'Clock News On the night of Mrs Thatchattracting 11.1 million viewers er's resignation. Ouestion compared to News At Ten's Time attracted 7 million view-

ballot, 12.2 million viewers O'Clock News 8.5 million. tuned into the BBC's Six O'Clock News, against 6.9 million for ITN's News At Record, in which Jonathan The BBC was consistently BBC's election special drew candidates the weekend before ahead of Independent Tele- 9.3 million viewers compared the second ballot, attracted 2.8 vision News from the resigna- to ITV's 5.9 million for a million viewers, against 2.2 tion of Sir Geoffrey Howe, special edition of This Week. million for LWT's Walden.

ers - its biggest audience. When Conservative MPs News At Ten attracted 4.9 cast their votes in the first million viewers and The Nine

The BBC's Sunday afternoon programme On The 5:40. From 7pm onwards, the Dimbleby interviewed the

Gare Loch readies for action

By Kerry Gill

HUNDREDS of wives, mothers and daughters of Scottish fishermen will gather outside the Royal Navy's submarine base at Fasiane, on the Gare Loch, tomorrow, while mem-bers of the Clyde Fishermen's Association meets Archie Hamilton, the armed forces

The peaceful demonstration, in which flowers will be fishermen from the Antares, a local fishing boat, when the vessel was dragged underwater by HMS Trenchant, a hunter-killer submarine, off the isle of Arran last week.

West coast fishermen and their families are growing increasingly angry over the government's refusal to suspend submarine activities pending the introduction of safety measures that would protect fishing boats.

Yesterday, two fishing boats surveyed the Gare Loch, took echo soundings of the seabed depth and checked shore-toshore distances in preparation for a blockade, should the meeting with Mr Hamilton

Minister denies role in Iraq deal

By NICHOLAS WOOD, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

he helped British firms war with Iran. circumvent an arms embargo years ago.

ister for trade, with Labour backbenchers calling for Mr Clark's resignation. The affair arises from the minute of a meeting Mr Clark

had with the Machine Tool Trades Association at the trade and industry department in January 1988. According to the association's record, Mr Clark advised manufacturers to emphasise the "peaceful" applications of their machinery, which was allegedly also capable of making artillery shells, when seek-

ing export licences.
Mr Sainsbury accepted that machine tools could be put to civil or military use. He also confirmed that Mr Clark had seen the association. He said the meeting had been arranged to discuss the application of government guidelines forbidding the export to Iraq of

ALAN Clark vesterday re- lethal equipment or equipjected newspaper claims that ment that could prolong the

"Mr Clark strongly denies on Iraq when he was at the the interpretation put on the trade department nearly three remarks alleged to have been made by him in The Sunday The denial by Mr Clark, Times article. I will not comnow a defence minister, was ment on the record of the relayed to the Commons by meeting kept by the MTTA, department at the time, as I am advised that to do so might prejudice possible proceedings."

Greville Janner, Labour MP for Leicester West, said that licences had been wrongly granted, either deliberately or negligently, and Mr Clark should resign. Martin O'Neill, Labour's defence spokesman, said that until they were told whether the DTI version of the discussion differed from that of the association, they would continue to pursue the matter. Conservative MPs ac-cused Labour of generating a synthetic row.

Charles Kennedy, president of the Liberal Democrats, said the minister's statement was calculated to obscure, confuse and cloud the issues. He demanded the fullest possible

Prisoners return to April riot jail

By RONALD FAUX

THE first prisoners to be Manchester, since the riots of iast April arrived yesterday. Over the next two weeks 192 men will be returned from the temporary prisons set up in cells at police stations throughout the north. The men will move into K wing at Strangeways, one of the least damaged areas, which also contains the prison hospital,

The Home Office said that

the admissions would help to relieve pressure on the emergency prisons. It would be three years before the £60 million repair and refurbishment of the prison was completed and about 1,000 inmates were contained there. Strangeways would then have cells with integral sanitation, ending the ritual of "slopping out" and the overcrowding which is believed to have led to the violent riots. At that time,

1,649 prisoners were in

Strangeways, many of them three to a cell and with a large

number held on remand. The improved Strangeways will have better security and more facilities for prison staff. The prison officers believe that new institutions coming into service and a policy of having fewer prisoners on remand will ease the pressure on prisons which led to the Manchester riots.

 An investigation was launched yesterday into a fivehour riot on Sunday which left two prison officers injured at Norwich prison. The trouble began after staff foiled a mass breakout attempt.

Last month, Mr Cander described overcrowding at the prison as scandalous. Men were living three to a cell designed for one. The prison holds about 600 inmates.

Ripper's wife sues for libel

Sonia Sutcliffe, wife of the Yorkshire Ripper, launched a High Court libel action yesterday over a newspaper allegation that she had a holiday "fling" with a Greek travel representative who was the image of her husband.

Mrs Sutcliffe, aged 40, is suing News Group News-

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papers, publishers of the News of the World, which carried the story of her holiday. The jury was told that Mrs Sutcliffe, from Bradford, West

Yorkshire, whose husband was convicted in 1981 of the murder of thirteen women, claimed the story was fabricated and denies the allegation. The case continues

UDM chief wins

Roy Lynk yesterday held on to his position as president of the Nottingham-based Union of Democratic Mineworkers. In a low poll, he received 2,323 votes to defeat his rival and deputy, Neil Greatrex, by a margin of 106 votes. Mr Lynk, who will retain his position for a first term of the ter a further two years, welcomed his re-election but criticised his members for apathy in the postal ballot. The union has about 15,000 members.

Double killing

A man who killed his mother and grandmother and who was discovered by police "dancing to music and smil-ing" was ordered to be de-tained at a secure psychiatric unit by a Central Criminal Court judge yesterday. William Mullen, aged 20, of Maida Vale, northwest London, admitted manslaughter on grounds of diminished responsibility. The court was told that he had

Bounty trials

Special constables, who work as part-time volunteer police officers, are to be paid "bounties" under a two-year Home Office experiment designed to improve recruitment. Under the trial, special constables in London and two provincial forces could get £400-£900 a year, depending on their length of service and the rules



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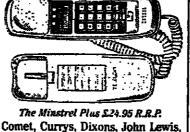
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Kasparov searches for winning way out of a chess marathon

By RAYMOND KEENE CHESS CORRESPONDENT

GARY Kasparov, the world champion, postponed yes-terday's 17th game against Anatoly Karpov in the world championship in Lyons, France, to devote the day to a search for a win in the 16th game, started on Saturday and adjourned on Sunday night after 88 moves.

In the adjourned position Kasparov has the advantage of rook against knight, but Karpov has set up a fortress which it may be impossible to breach. The game has already lasted 11 hours and Kasparov has shown every sign of continuing the battle by sealing his 89th move. The game

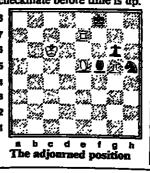
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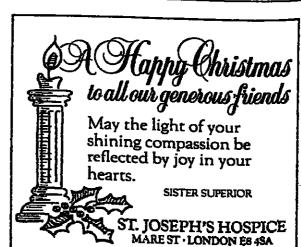
The record for the longest world championship game was between Korchnoi and Karpov, game five, in the Philippines in 1978, which ended in a draw by stalemate on move 124. The previous record was in the 20th game of the Tal-Borvinnik match in Moscow in 1961 which was drawn after 121 moves.

If Kasparov is to win the 16th game he must infiltrate with his king to the d8 square. That sounds simple, but the configuration of the pieces makes it extraordinarily difficult. Boris Spassky the former world champion, says that Kasparov (white) should win and that a computer could probably find the correct solution.

Kasparov has two pitfalls to avoid. First, if the same position occurs on the board three times the game is an automatic draw, as it is if a game continues for 50 moves beyond the last capture or pawn move. The last capture in this game was on move 60, but the last pawn move was Write Kasparov; Black Kasper

Having played his sealed move, Kasparov has a further 25 moves before the 50-move guillotine. He must find a way to move a pawn, capture a piece, or deliver a forced checkmate before time is up.





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Still life: art enthusiasts queuing at the Royal Academy, London, yesterday, for the Monet exhibition which closes on Sunday. By then, 500,000 people will have seen it, making it the most popular staged by the academy

Judge blames police for Gail Kinchin's death in gun siege

A JUDGE yesterday called for an enquiry into the deliberate on the last day of the previous officers firing from a shotgun.

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Mr Justice Hodgson, sitting at Birmingham High Court, yesterday awarded Gail Kinchin's mother, Josephine Wood, £8,155 damages by two police marksmen. She was being used as a shield on a against the force for its failures during the siege in which Miss Kinchin was shot, and castigated the force for suppressing a secret senior officer's report.

The judge's remarks will seriously embarrass West Midlands police, whose former serious crime squad is already being investigated by West Yorkshire police over allegations of fabricated evidence. Last night the force

said it was considering whether to appeal.

The judge, who had adjourned judgment from October, said he could not accept that Tom Meffen, now assistant chief constable (crime) of the force, had forgotten about the report he had prepared as a detective chief superintendent, which came to light only

was being used as a shield on a darkened landing of a block of flats in Rubery, Birmingham, by David Pagett, her boy-friend, who advanced on the



Ten-lane strategy to beat M25 jams

By Kevin Eason, motoring correspondent

the M25 to ten lanes were unveiled yesterday by Malcolm Rifkind, the transport

The transport department is spending £1 billion on widen-ing the 119-mile London orbital motorway to eight lanes over the next decade, and Mr Rifkind said yesterday that he had asked for plans to be drawn up to give the busiest sections five lanes on each carriageway. Consultants have warned Mr Rifkind that the existing plans would not meet future demand.

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Mr Rifkind said that the busiest western stretch, south of the M4, which carries more than 140,000 vehicles a day, would be a priority area. Work may not start until the late 1990s and would have to be "economically and environ-mentally justified".

The initial widening to four lanes on each carriageway could be completed in about four years. Lighting will also be extended to the entire motorway route, apart from the Swanley to Sevenoaks section, at a cost of £20 million. A further £50 million is to be spent on electronic the British Road Federation.

HOLY Island, cut off from

the mainland twice a day by

the sea and for ten minutes

every bour by British Rail

now faces having its vol-

untary fire service cut off by

The 180 islanders are to

meet in their village hall

tomorrow evening to try to

find eight volunteers who

are under 55 and who would

be prepared to attend a

weekly training session. If they fail, the island volun-

teer fire service will have to

be disbanded and emergency

cover provided instead from

Berwick-upon-Tweed, 15

miles to the north, when the

tide is out and by helicopter

from Alnwick, 15 miles to

The island has had its own

force of unpaid fire-fighters

for the past five years since Northumberland county

council provided a fire

tender. Before that, a length

of hose, a handcart and community spirit were all that protected property on

the south, when it is in.

a tide of bureaucracy.

PLANS to increase parts of message boards to advise of the M25 to ten lanes were problems ahead. When congestion is at its worst, electronic detectors, costing £15 million, linked to traffic lights, will prevent vehicles from

> fiamentary answer yesterday. "The plan contains a number of important traffic manage ment measures to assist drivers and improve safety and traffic flows. I am sure it will be welcomed by many users of the M25 and by communities that have been relieved of traffic by the M25."

corridors outside the M25, as outlined in a white paper last year. Those include: the eastwest corridor north of London between the M40 and the ports of Felixstowe and Harwich; the east-west corridor south of London; a further Thames crossing east of Dartford; and a route between the M3 and the M40. A circular route around London inside the M25 has been ruled out for now. Mr Rifkind's statement was welcomed by

joining the motorway.

Mr Rifkind said in a par-

In the longer term, the department will press ahead with the studies of four orbital

Island's fire fighters could

be cut off by bureaucracy

By DAVID YOUNG

the island from fire. How-

ever, the new Control of

Substances Hazardous to

Health regulations mean

that part-time volunteer fire-

men must be trained in

dealing with spillages and

fires involving potentially

dangerous materials. The

regulations also state that the

volunteers have to be under

55, which means that several

of the existing crew and their

leader, retired shop keeper

Mr Douglas Cromarty, who

Northumberland county

council has decided that the

volunteer crew should be

disband and cover provided from the mainland. At high

tide a helicopter from RAF

Boulmer on the Northum-

berland coast would take off,

collect an emergency fire

crew at Alnwick and then fly

it to the island to man the

Mr Cromarty said: "It could take at least 45 min-

utes before a helicopter ar-

rives and even when the tide

fire tender.

is 64, must stand down.

ing for her mother, said that if Mr Meffen's report had not been disclosed when it was

"there was a real risk that an injustice would have been done". Mrs Wood, aged 49, of King's Heath, Birmingham, had sued West Midlands police for negligence over her daughter's death. The girl died from her injuries and Pagett served a seven-year jail sentence for manslaughter.

Steven Jonas, Mrs Wood's solicitor, said after yesterday's judgment that her civil action could have been settled in half the time if the secret report had been disclosed. "I think there may have been a coverup." he said.

Mr Justice Hodgson said that Mr Meffen wrote a short supplementary report with a memorandum attached that was for internal digestion only. This was highly critical of police action. The judge said that, after cross examination, Mr Meffen had discovered overnight in the files the detailed five-and-a-half page report he had submitted to his chief constable in August 1980. "I am simply unable to accept that he had forgotten all

The court had heard that nant with Pagett's baby, had been taken hostage by him in June 1980 after she had returned to live with her mother and stepfather. Pagett, then 31, who had a criminal past, was armed with a shotgun and had hit Mrs Wood over the head and shot and injured her

He took the girl to his flat in Rubery, Birmingham, and six off-duty policemen armed with revolvers took up positions. Two were on a darkened aisle outside the first floor flat when Pagett emerged holding the girl in front of him. When he fired, the two officers fired back nine times. Miss Kinchin was hit three times.

Counsel for Mrs Wood had argued that the two officers should never have been in an unlit position from which there was no retreat and which left them little option over their course of action. The court was told that the police operation was negligent and led to Miss Kinchin's death. In his findings, the judge said the failure to provide any lighting was the immediate cause of the girl's death. That it was a breach of police duty was, in effect, conceded by Mr

Meffen in his report. After yesterday's hearing, Mrs Wood said: "I am pleased the truth has come out after so long. I have said all along the command structure and not the two officers was to blame."

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it would take half an hour for

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Berwick. There is also the

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island who will meet the new

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The existing crew also

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toric Lindisfarne castle and

the priory which in the

summer attract thousands of

The volunteer crew, which

has dealt with 11 fires in five

years, also pumps out

sinking boats and, although

the pet population is small

and trees few, it has rescued

Leading article, page 17

one cat stuck on a branch.

emergency cover."

time when a train is due.

BT wants to ring the changes on phone number snobbery

By MARK DOWNING AND JULIAN ROLLINS

British Telecom has proposed an innovation that could promote even finer social distincwho are afflicted.

British Telecom wants to that in London 071s and 081s would become 0171s and 0181s, and outside the capital Birmingham, for instance, would become 0121. When existing numbers run out, British Telecom could allocate 0271 and 0221 numbers, then 0371 and so on.

There's the rub. Those who have recently moved to an area — the new money — would then be distinguishable from residents of long stand-ing, with 0171s looking down their noses at 0271s, who would in turn despise 0371s.

JUST as Londoners begin to when estate agents already come to terms with their emphasise the difference be-division into 071s and 081s, tween 071 and 081 as a selling point in the property market. 071 has come to represent the mote even finer social distinc-tions. However, this time it inner city, while 081 has been will not be only Londoners equated with anonymous

A BT spokesman said that add one more digit to all the country would run out of wanted to move London telephone codes. This means numbers by the end of the subscribers on to the proposed numbers by the end of the decade if the changes, which the company has recommended to the regulatory body Oftel should be made in 1995, were not implemented. "This is because of the sheer

demand for new lines, with 90 per cent of the population now having phones, people installing second lines and lines for faxes or burglar alarms," he

The proposals will be debated by the Telecommunica-tions and Addressing Board, comprising representatives of British Telecom, Mercury, This is no small matter cellular phone and cable tele-

vision companies, but the final decision is Oftel's.

"We are hoping for a decision as soon as possible so that we can give our customers as much notice as possible and set the necessary engineering work in train," BT

The company had not subscribers on to the proposed new system when the 071 and 08! codes were introduced last May because it would have broken the national pattern of STD codes. Despite fears of chaos, the switch to the new codes was smooth.

BT does not yet know what the changes would cost. They will, however, be much easier to make on the new digital exchanges being phased in. The spokesman said confusion to customers and costs involved in changing stationery and signs would be minimised by giving ample

Arts campaigners want cash doubled

By SIMON TAIT, ARTS CORRESPONDENT

BRITAIN should spend twice One of the most controveras much as it does on the arts. sial recommendations is for To approach the subsidy lev- secondary levies on auction els of other European coun-tries it should commit 1 per and video and audio tapes. cent of all public expenditure with the income channelled to culture, the National back into the creative process. Campaign for the Arts said vesterday.

Launching a new Manifesto for the Arts. Simon Mundy, for the Arts. Simon Mundy, funds. "Playing the auction director of the campaign, said: houses is a rich man's game Britain has been a late starter in the idea of public support for culture. There are large play," Mr Mundy said. areas of the country where it is blindingly badly funded."

The manifesto calls for central and local government to increase total spending to groups representing them on a £2 billion a year - almost double what is spent now - to create a cultural infrastructure equal to that in countries like France and Germany. Subsidised performing arts companies should have their deficits cleared and be protected against inflation.

back into the creative process. This could benefit publiclyfunded museums and galleries by enhancing their purchase which far outstrips the nat-

ional institutions' ability to The manifesto calls for a European network for arts and heritage to co-ordinate the interests of artists and the continental basis. It calls on the United Kingdom to rejoin the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation.

A Manifesto for the Arts (National Campaign for the Arts; £5).



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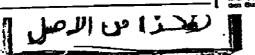


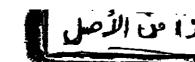
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Farmers 'face disaster if subsidy cuts are imposed'

By MICHAEL HORNSBY, AGRICULTURE CORRESPONDENT

BRITISH agriculture will European Community to offer Gourlay, president of the National Farmers' Union (NFU), said yesterday at the annual Royal Smithfield Show at management" concept, which Earl's Court, London. Farm income this year was at its

His warning came as thou-sands of farmers, including a British contingent, staged a protest march in Brussels against proposals for sharp cuts in farm subsidies which are being discussed by more than 100 nations as part of measures to liberalise world

ade. as fraught with danger for British farmers. The associfrom the Americans and their ation, he said, had not thought allies in the Gatt [General Agreement on Tariffs and Tradel talks has forced the

Fans tell of disorder at stadium on day 95 died

THERE was mass disorder outside Hillsborough football stadium shortly before 95 people were crushed to death inside the ground, a supporter told the inquest yesterday.

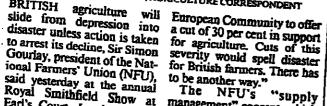
Another said the tunnel leading to the stand in which the supporters died was jam-packed solid before the FA Cup semi-final between Liverpool and Nottingham Forest on April 15 last year.

Mr Thomas Kenneth Hilton, an accountant's assistant clerk, of Thornton, Liverpool, told the ninth day of the inquest in Sheffield, South Yorkshire, that there were hundreds of people outside the ground when he arrived at about 2.40pm. "Everyone seemed to arrive at exactly the same time. It was a mass disorder. There were no

queues at all." Mr Graeme Hurst, a sales eneral manager from Crosby, Liverpool, said he made his way into the ground through the tunnel leading to the Leppings Lane stand at about packed solid and you were carried with the general flow of people. The enclosure in front was jam-packed. There was no way you could move in

Graham Richardson, a Liverpool supporter, said the perimeter gates were closed when he arrived at the ground "It was getting close to kickoff time so people were getting more and more angry." When the gates were opened he was forced on by the crush behind. People were shouting "get back", and a policeman at the front fence was trying to help by bending spikes on the railings. Mr Richardson said: "People were in distress and I did not have any difficulty realising that".

Shortly afterwards there was a smaller surge in the area where a crush barrier collapsed and Mr Richardson saw people falling over. The hearing continues



would compensate farmers for lowest level in real terms since the second world war, he said.

His warning came as thousurpluses while maintaining farming incomes and preventing an exodus from the land. Sir Simon brushed aside differences with the Country Landowners' Association (CLA), which on Sunday described supply management

> through the consequences of its position. The CLA wants a freeingup of the planning system, presumably so that farmers and landowners could sell houses and housing plots and development land and get out of their present problems like that," Sir Simon said. That might be fine for some but it was not a solution for tenant farmers and was not the way

to protect the countryside.

He said that over the past decade between 20,000 and 30,000 farmers had gone out of business, and a similar number was likely to leave the land over the next ten years. "If we get the worst scenario, then the exodus could be closer to 60,000, accounting for about half the present number of full-time farmers."

Among the ideas proposed by the NFU is a compulsory "set-aside" scheme for cereal growers under which they would be paid to take proportion of their land out of

production. Sir Simon said it was simply not realistic to talk of abolishing price support and moving straight to a free market in farm trade. If the EC showed it was serious about reducing the food surpluses which dis-turbed world trade, the main objections of the Community's trading partners would

be met. Farm workers vesterday lodged a claim with the Agri-cultural Wages Board for a 50 per cent pay rise next year, which would lift the minimum rate from £122.10 to £180 a week. The NFU called the claim unrealistic.

The NFU is to meet representatives of the main supermarket chains early next month to discuss farmers' complaints of excessive profittaking by the big stores, it was disclosed yesterday.



Gourlay: only alternative

Pension age test

The legality of Britain's unequal pensionable retirement ages is to be tested at the European Court of Justice in Luxembourg. A High Court judge yesterday referred the matter to Europe at the request of the Equal Opportunities Commission with the agreement of Tony Newton, the social security secretary. The aim is to seek a ruling on whether the different pensionable ages for men and women - 65 and 60 respectively - unlawfully discriminate against men under European law.

Prison art

offences, is to have two pieces of sculpture shown at the Metropolitan Gallery, New York, next year.

Woman dies

A man has been reported for murder and has been detained at a secure unit after the death of an elderly woman patient in the psychiatric ward of Watford general hospital on Sunday morning.

Soccer claim

Andrew Spencer, aged 29, a soccer supporter from Rothwell, Leeds, is suing police for the price of his match ticket after being wrongfully arrested when football fans rioted at Bournemouth last season.

Fire death

A child died and two others were badly burnt when fire broke out in a flat in Northam, Southampton, yesterday. Their mother, Maggie Wright, was also seriously hurt after an industrial estate in Hitchin

Zeebrugge case

Frank Cook, aged 38, who is A judge yesterday approved a serving a seven-year sentence proposal by relatives of in Hull prison for firearm Zeebrugge ferry disaster victims to bring a High Court test case against P & O European Ferries to claim damages for mental suffering. It will involve up to 12 claimants.

Doctor banned

Dr Mohammed Ali Khan registered in South Shields. Tyne & Wear, was yesterday banned by the General Medical Council from practising as doctor, after being found guilty in March of indecently saulting a patient.

Cannabis charge

A gardener on the Queen's Sandringham estate has been charged with importing cannabis and possession of the drug. Anthony Townley, aged 28, of West Newton, Norfolk, is also accused of having a shotgun without a licence.

Drugs raid

Police have seized a large amount of "speed" after raiding an alleged drug factory on



Two ballet veterans, Dame Alicia Markova (right) and Dame Ninette de Valois, at Sadler's Wells theatre, London, after a ballet marking Dame Alicia's 80th birthday. Review, page 22

Hull presses for return of power to go with its prosperity

enquiries in Hull there will be no charge. The information will come not from British Telecom but from an operator working for the city's own communications company.

Unusual among cities within the UK, Hull maintains its own successful and innovative telephone service, run by a company formed and owned by the city council It has provided subscribers with the latest digital equipment. Darryl Stephenson, Hull's deputy chief executive, said yesterday: "It does seem ironic that we can operate such a successful concern as the telephone company and yet we have lost our powers to provide many of the basic services to our

The Labour-controlled city council has been campaigning for the restoration of its powers to deal with social services, education, waste disposal, strategic planning, fire and police services since it lost them to Humberside county council when it was created in 1974. "We want to be the enablers and providers of a full range of services to meet the needs of all our customers, tenants and industrial and commercial concerns. It will aid Hull's development into the next century as we become increasingly important as a gateway to Europe with all the opportunities that offers. Without the return of our powers it will be like fighting with one hand tied behind our

back," Mr Stephenson said. The decision of Michael

Michael Heseltine wants to allow cities to opt out of their surrounding counties. Peter Davenport reports

on the view from one Heseltine, the environment secretary, to order an investigation by civil servants into the feasibility of allowing big cities to opt out of their surrounding counties would effectively re-create old, autonomous county boroughs. Hull is a member of the Major Cities Group which has been campaigning for the restoration of county borough status. Patrick Doyle, the leader of Hull council, is also chairman of the group. Last night he said the group would be seeking a meeting with Mr Heseltine in the new year

to press their claims. Last week the Boundary Commission said that the area on the south of the Humber should be returned to Lincolnshire and suggested that the part remaining on the north side of the river be renamed East Yorkshire in response to overwhelming public opinion. The present population of the county is 850,000 and there are complaints that Hull, with its 250,000 residents and being the centre for industry, business, commerce and shopping dominates the

City council officials argued yesterday that if the commission's

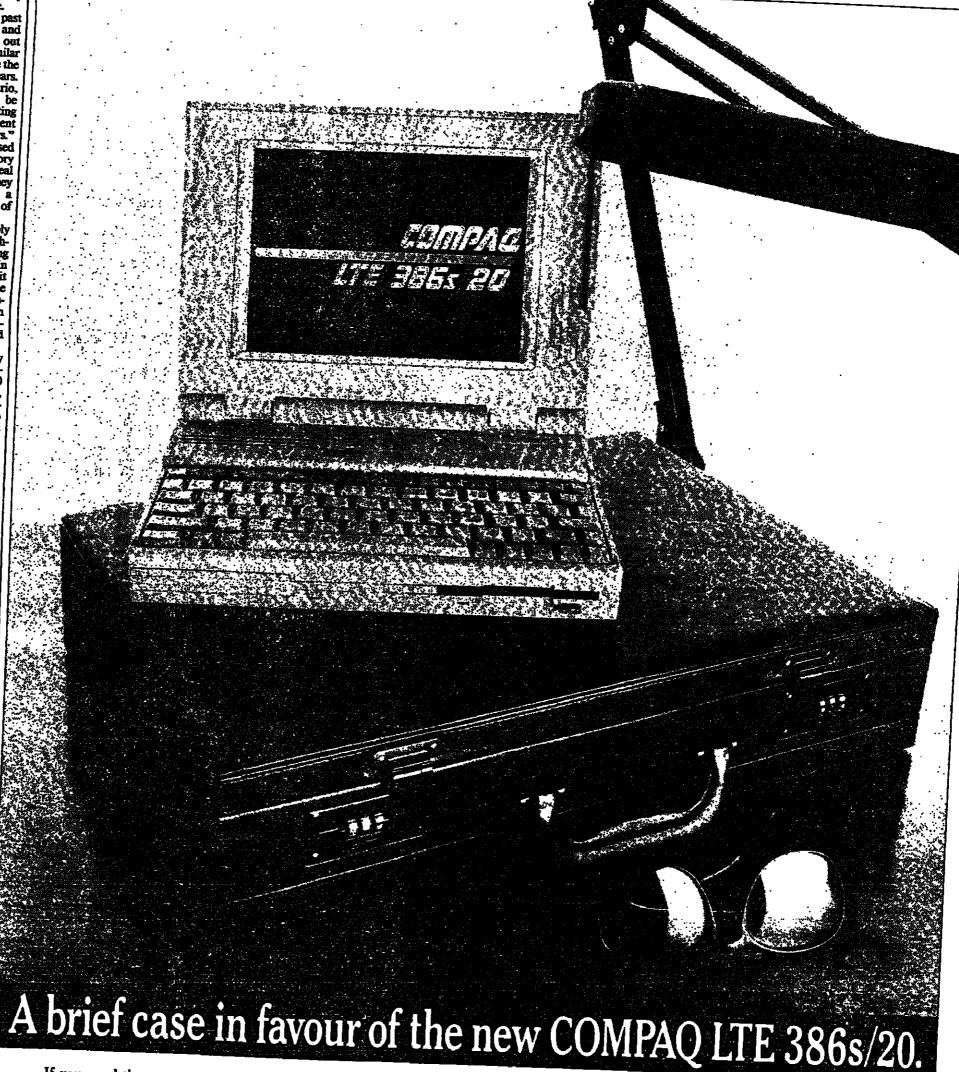
recommendations are accepted by Mr Heseltine, then the only sensible solution to local government on the north bank of the Humber would be make Hull a county borough with a new authority catering for the remaining, mainly rural, area. Mr Stephenson said that the city could be used as a test bed for the rest of county borough powers in advance of the other members of the "big eleven"

receiving the same treatment. In the 16 years since it lost significant powers Hull has transformed itself from a city heavily dependent on its fishing fleet. Today it has a diverse economy handling a growing amount of import and export trade, oil refin-ing and a sizable pharmaceutical

Although the fishing fleet has diminished, fish is still an important element of the economy with 40 per cent of Iceland's total catch being landed at Hull and supplying a large, local processing industry. Almost £40 million of central and local government funding has financed 600 projects and pulled in large amounts of private capital.

Last week Helgi Agustsson, the Icelandic ambassador to London, visited the city and was shown around its still changing waterfront and urban landscape. On seeing the improvements, he remarked: Where is the recession I keep hearing about?

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Gould attack on tax move

By John Winder and Peter Mulligan

ENVIRONMENT

THE government was accused last night of turning the screw on the community charge, a system of local government finance in which it had lost

The attack was made by Brvan Gould, Labour spokesman on environment, during the second reading debate in the Commons of the bill to ensure that councils pass on to chargepayers the benefits of

He said that the Community Charges (Substitute Set-ting) bill was the death knell of local government accountability and meant that every aspect of local government finance was now under central government control. It meant that, by implication, every poll tax bill sent out would have the assent of gov-

Moving second reading, Michael Portillo, minister for local government, said that the bill closed a loophole brought to light in a case between the government and Lambeth council.

It would ensure, he said, that a budget reduction forced on a council by capping would feed through to the individual community charge payer.

He told MPs that the council, which had set its postcapping poll tax at £521 a head, £29 above the figure suggested by the government, was ruled to have been acting

He said: "It would be wrong in principle for us to leave in place a loophole which enables an authority to deny its charge payers the full benefit of capping. This bill puts the matter beyond doubt for the future.

Labour takes another step nearer single currency By PHILIP WEBSTER, CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT EURORE

THE Labour leadership's gradual move towards acceptance of a European single currency was underlined yesterday as Roy Hattersley spoke of the substantial advantages of monetary union and proposed that any central bank established by the Euro-pean Community should be located in London.

Mr Hattersley said it would be madness for Britain to pretend that Britain's EC partners could be deflected from their determination to build the new Europe. Britain must be in the fast lane and on the

high ground, he said.

Although the deputy leader maintained Labour's refusal to put a timetable on monetary union or the introduction of a single currency, he quoted approvingly from its new policy document on Europe which stated that that it would be against the national interest for Britain to allow itself to be excluded from developments towards full union and a single

currency.

Labour's new policy stance has provoked alarm among its surviving anti-marketeers.

Peter Shore, the former cabinet minister, said last night that it would be outright lunacy for Britain to accept proposals for a single currency and a "Eurobank" in the EC. These proposals would not only impose unacceptable strains on the weaker economies of the EC but would effectively exclude from membership for decades to come the recently liberated countries of central and east-

ern Europe." Battle was joined last night by Dr David Owen, the former SDP leader, who said that Britain should not accept any treaty wording that accepted a Letters, page 17 | single currency in principle for

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COMPANY donations to the union-backed research body. Gifts totalled £3.4 million

in the 12 months to the end of March, £500,000 more than the previous year.

Labour Research studied the accounts of more than 3,000 firms quoted on the stock exchange and about 2,500 private companies. It traced 244 firms making donations to the party.

According to the survey, eight companies increased their payments by at least

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£38,865 making it the leading Conservative party rose by 16 donor with a total of £150,320.

Three companies, Rank Orga survey carried out by a anisation, the leisure group, Barings, the merchant banker and Caledonian Investments, the investment and finance group, doubled their gifts from £25,000 to £50,000. The top 10 donations account for a little over a quarter of industry's support for the Tory

Labour Research cites recent reports that the Tories are £5 million in the red. It says that Chris Patten, the new party chairman, and Lord Beaverbrook, the treasurer, have work to do to find the Taylor Woodrow, the con-struction firm, gave an extra fight the next election.

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us to endorse even in Mr Hattersley, speaking to a London conference, said that nobody was proposing to force

member states. "For

Britain that must remain

potentially too big a step towards a federalist Europe for

Britain into monetary union; nobody had the power to force Britain to join. Nobody pretended there were not potential disadvantages in such a system, but for a Labour government entry would possess substantial advantages. It would establish monetary stability throughout Western Europe, investment would be encouraged, and currency speculation would be eliminated.

Mr Hattersley again under lined Labour's stance that union would have to be preceded by movement towards convergence of the richer and poorer economies in the EC. That would include similarity of inflation rates, and balanced growth of consumption and production.

He said: "If there is a twospeed or two-tier Europe, Britain must be in the fast lane and on the high ground. That is not a maatter of pomposity or pride. It is a matter of clear economic necessity and national interest."

He said the case for Britain's playing a positive and creative part in deciding the direction of Europe's inevitable development was

overwhelming. Were we to abdicate and allow Europe to move on without us, there is no doubt what the outcome would be. Five years after the creation of monetary and social union by the rest of the Community Britain would make a belated application to join."

Mr Hattersley said that Labour would press for London to be the headquarters of a European central bank that would be required by monetary union. "London possesses the expertise which certainly equals and probably exceeds that available anywhere else in the Community. It would certainly not be in the City's interest for it to be

located in any other capital." Talk of monetary union had raised again all the old arguments about sovereignty. But it was at least arguable that a country within a monetary union - able to influence the level of interest rates and the supply of money - was more sovereign than a nation outside which had to wait to see what the union decided. Sometimes sovereignty was

increased when it was pooled. Mr Hattersley backed an enlarged Community, taking in Austria, Sweden, Norway, Hungary and Czechoslovakia.

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Centre of attention; Chris Patten, the new chairman of the Conservative party, outside Central Office yesterday

Tories try for black vote

By SHEILA GUNN POLITICAL REPORTER

CANDIDATES

lor's selection to fight Cheltenham for the Conservatives is the choice of a black candidate for a constituency with only a small ethnic community. The other four Asian or black Tory candidates will be standing in areas of Birmingham, Bradford and London with large immigrant populations.

The brave experiment emanates from Conservative Central Office's work since the 1987 general election to integrate black supporters into the mainstream of the party rather than mark them out as a

The last manifesto stated: "We want to see members of the ethnic minorities assuming positions of leadership alongside their fellow citizens of responsibility."

Also included under the heading of immigration and race relations policy was a promise to continue a "firm but fair" immigration policy. The manifesto sought votes by boasting of the lowest level of immigration for settlement since 1962. It also exploited the hostility of Britain's well established ethnic communities to new waves of im-

The double-edged commitment demonstrated the party's ambivalence towards Britain's Asian and bloaditain's Asian and black population. While the party wants to win the Asian and black votes, it wants to reassure the "outraged of Cheltenham" type of Tory that new influxes of immigrants will be turned away.

The rebellion led by Norman Tebbit against legislation to grant visas to 50,000 heads of households from Hong Kong brought to the surface Tory fears about non-white immigrants and was seized on by Labour as a thinly disguised racism.

After the 1987 election. Peter Morrison, the former deputy party chairman, and James Goodsman, head of community groups at Conservative central office, brought together all the disparate groups of Tories within minority communities under the umbrella of the One

Nation Forum. The strategy was to assimi late Tory Asians, blacks, Chinese and other members of ethnic communities into the party on their merits without resorting to "tokenism", black sections or quotas. Tom Peet, the new head of

community groups, said yes-terday: "The role of Britain's ethnic communities_is o growing significance. The important part is to encourage them to take an active part in their constituency associ-ations rather than for us to follow Labour in talking about black sections." The other candidates are

Mohammed Khamisa who will challenge the 11,859 majority of Labour's deputy leader Roy Hattersley at Birmingham Sparkbrook, Ab-dul Zayyum Chaudhary, facing the 15,521 Labour majority at Birmingham Small Heath; Andrew Popat standing at Bradford South where the Labour MP Bob Cryer has a majority of only 309 at the 1987 election; and Lurlile Champagnie, who was recently picked to fight Labour-held Islington North, London, where Jeremy

Conservatives upset as minister is dismissed

By ROBIN OAKLEY POLITICAL EDITOR

THE dismissal of a Welsh office junior minister yes-terday created a further flurry over John Major's govern-ment changes after the protests over the lack of a woman in his cabinet.

After Ian Grist, the parliamentary secretary at his department, had made plain his displeasure at being dropped, David Hunt, the Weish secretary, defied the new prime minister's anthority by making clear that he too regretted Mr Grist's

Mr Grist, the under secretary, who had joined Mr Hunt and Sir Wyn Roberts, the minister of state, in backing Michael Heseltine for the party leadership, did not maintain the usual silence of the dispossessed. Instead he said openly: "I have been dropped. I am sad and disappointed I did not think I am a bit miffed."

Mr Hunt then surprised colleagues by issuing a statement saying: "I am very sad to lose the wise counsel and strong commitment of lan Grist, who has been a valuable member of the Welsh office ministerial team for three-

THE publication of racist and

anti-semitic pamphlets has in-

creased in the past year, the Attorney-general told MPs

yesterday. Sir Patrick Mayhew

said during question time that

police enquiries were contin-

Sir Patrick was replying to Greville Janner, QC, Labour MP for Leicester West, who

asked why there had been no

prosecution since 1986. Was it

because the law was too weak,

in which case it should be

changed, or because the gov-

did not wish to enforce it? It

Sir Patrick denied that it

was the latter. The law officers

tions took the writing and

distribution of such odious

material extremely seriously.

He said that in only seven cases had there been a de-

cision not to prosecute

because there was not the

evidence to justify proceed-

ings. In the remaining cases

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and-a-half years". In words ing the blow for a departing colleague but which also clearly queried the wisdom of the move, Mr Hunt said that Mr Grist had made effective use of his wide Welsh experiproud of the important

contribution he has made". Three other Welsh Tories protested at the dropping of Mr Grist, who was replaced by the right winger Nicholas Bennett, MP for Pembroke. Mr

More racist pamphlets are

published, Mayhew says

ANTI-SEMITISM

decided not to refer cases to

the Crown Prosecution Ser-

vice. He accepted that there

had been an increase in such

literature, if it could be digni-

fied by that name.

Bennett, a former schoolmaster, worked on Mr Major's campaign team and was be-lieved to be the only Welsh

which could be seen as soften- Tory MP to have backed him. Sir Anthony Meyer (Clwyd North West), Keith Raffan (Delyn) and Gwilym Jones (Cardiff North) said that Mr Grist was widely respected as a minister, not only among his ence and "has every right to be colleagues but also in the principality. His moderation

was highly regarded. Few Conservative MPs outside Wales, however, were prepared to countenance ailegations that Mr Major had been having his revenge on

Heseltine supporters:
His limited government changes have brought on a number of prominent backers of Douglas Hurd, as well as restoring Mr Heseltine himself to the cabinet, although it was noted that no Heseltine campaigner has been promoted and that David Trippier, while keeping his ministerial position, was relieved party deputy chairman. The Labour party was swift

to exploit the unrest among the seven Conservative MPs in Wales. Barry Jones, the shadow Welsh secretary, said: "The appointment of Mr Bennett to the Welsh Office is a disaster for Wales."

that it was for the director to

decide whether evidence was

sufficient to permit a pros-

Sir Patrick agreed, and said

that it would be damaging if a

prosecution were brought out-

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Chalker denies dispute over job

Lynda Chalker, the overseas aid minister, denied in the Commons that she had had a dispute with the prime minister over her job or status.

During question time, Ann Clwyd, the shadow aid minister, suggested that more money would be available for developing coun-tries if Mrs Chalker had been a member of the cabinet rather than a junior arm of the foreign office. As a cabinet member, Mrs Clwyd said, the minister would be able to argue around the table with

Treasury. Mrs Chalker said that she had got extra money for the overseas aid budget. She added: "I shall concentrate on doing that. I have had no row of any kind either with the prime minister or with Chris

Birmingham Six plea

A call for the appeal hearing in the case of the Birmingham Six to be expedited was made during question time by John Morris, Labour spokesm

on legal affairs. Sir Patrick Mayhew, Attorney-general, said that as soon as the grounds of appeal of the six were lodged and the Crown had had the opportunity to consider them, the case could be expedited; but the listing of the case was for the court authorities.

Hurd gets apology

Tam Dalyell, Labour MP for Linlithgow, apologised to the foreign secretary for suggesting last week that he had avoided national service. During clashes about the Gulf, Mr Dalyell said that while he was tank crew "firing live ammunition" Douglas Hurd was in the foreign

Mr Dalyelli conceded yesterday that Mr Hurd had served with the Royal

British aid

United Kingdom bilateral aid to developing countries last year totalled £1,113 million, Lynda Chalker, overseas aid minister, said in a written reply. A further £674 million was given through multilateral agencies of which £305 million went through the EC.

Food licences

Regulations to permit the sale of irradiated foods produced under licence will be laid before Parliament this month, John Gummer, agriculture minister, said in a written

Scottish post

Allan Stewart, whose return to the Scottish Office was announced on Friday, will have responsibility for industry, including training, and local government, Ian Lang, Scottish

secretary, announced. Severn tolls

Income from toils on the Severn bridge in the past financial year was £13,609,424, Christopher Chope, roads and traffic minister, said in a written reply.

Parliament today Commons (2.30): Questions: Defence; prime minister. Debate on the EC budget for 1991. Lords (2.30): New Roads and Street Works bill and Gaming (Amendment)

Ivan Lawrence, QC, Conside the criteria, only to fail. Statement called for on anti-nazi legislation

THE government was urged yesterday to make a statement on whether it intended to proceed with legislation paving the way for the prosecu-tion of alleged Nazi war criminals (Richard Ford

writes). Merlyn Rees, chairman of the all-party war crimes group, which wants legislation brought in, said that a statement was needed in the wake of John Major's appointment. Mr Major voted against the principle of the legislation when it was debated last year, but Downing Street said that

LORDS DISPUTE the bill would be introduced in

> Mr Rees said at a press conference in Westminster that all three candidates for the leadership of the Tory party had made known that they supported the legislation. The bill, thrown out by the Lords earlier this year, was included in the Queen's speech, but Mr Rees said: "In any event, it obviously requires a statement from the government".

successful, or the police had Poll tax 'will be made fairer'

THE government will ensure that the poll tax is made fairer, Ian Lang, the new Scottish secretary, said yesterday, implying that it would be based on people's

ability to pay.

Mr Lang was questioned closely on the proposed review of the tax when he held his first party press conference in Edinburgh since taking office. He did not rule out abolition of the poll tax, although he said: "Anyone who suggests that the only solution is to abolish it owes it to the people to bring forward a detailed, costed, well worked out alternative".

Changes, he said, would fulfil the commitment given by all three leadership candidates for a fundamental review. "I want to see a system for raising finance for local government that is fair and that is seen to be fair", he added.

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accepted, that there are unfairnesses within the system as there are within any taxation. We have been working towards removal of those unfairnesses. What is also important is that we achieve general acceptance from the electorate that the tax is fair"

at any proposal that is out to us in areas of devolution and other constitutional activity, but let me make it clear that we are the Conservative and Unionist party and will not subscribe to anything that undermines the integrity of that union, and that is absolutely fundamental."

He derided the Scottish constitutional convention's proposals for an assembly with tax-raising powers. "I would not subscribe to anything that led to the needs of Scotland before more heavily

taxed than would be the people in the rest of the United Kingdom", be said. Michael Hirst, president of the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Association, said the divisions that had rent the party during the past year were over. He would "come down like a ton of bricks" on anyone who started personal vendettas against others. "There is no place for

Lord Sanderson, the Scottish party chairman, said that it had been evident during the last days of the Paisley by-election campaigns that John Major's election as prime minister had been favourably received. "There is a new wind blowing which I hope will result in

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On devolution, he said: "We will look

that in our party. We have an urgent responsibility to make sure there is a harvest of Tory gains at the next election

many more constituencies being re-turned for us at the next election", he

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Inhaler offers adult asthma sufferers longer-term relief

By NIGEL HAWKES, SCIENCE EDITOR

AN ASTHMA drug launched yesterday is claimed to offer the treatment of a condition that affects up to two million people in Britain and is grow-

Glaxo, is taken by inhalation twice a day and eliminates the symptoms of wheezing, ghing, breathlessness and sleep disturbances in most adult asthma patients. It will be prescribed immediately in roid drugs and should eliminate the need for frequent use of existing inhalers for the relief of symptoms, which are caused by constriction of airways in the lungs.

Its main advantage over the existing drugs, of which the best known is salbutamol (Ventolin), is the long-term relief it provides. Sufferers may have to use Ventolin inhalers a dozen or more times a day to dilate the airways and control symptoms, and its effects wear off

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symptoms for 12 hours, which will make it possible for many asthma sufferers to enjoy a good night's sleep for the first time in years.

Chemically the two drugs are similar, but Serevent achieves its long-term effects by anchoring itself in place, thanks to a long molecule which locks on to receptor sites in the lung. Serevent attaches itself

more slowly than salbutamol, and will not therefore be used for the immediate relief of stays there. Two doses a day, one in the morning and one at night, should be sufficient. The drug will cost about £1

a day, and is so far licensed only for adults. Further clinical studies are needed before it can be prescribed for children. Ashley Woodcock, consul-Wythenshawe hospital in

that there had been an enor-

mous increase in asthma in

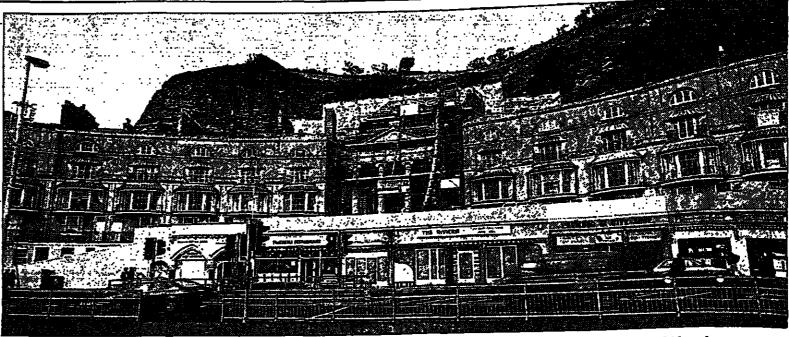
the 1970s and 80s. Clinical

Serevent was "a very effective therapy, particularly for nighttime symptoms" he said. "I rances that have not lived up to the claims, but this is really a major improvement. There is evidence

Serevent controls the inflammation reaction that underlies asthma attacks, as well as diminishing the symptoms, according to John Hall, medical director of Allen & Hanbury's, the Glaxo group company that is marketing the symptoms, but once in place it drug. More work would be needed to clarify that aspect of the drug's performance, he

Asthma is the commones

chronic disease in the developed world. It causes about 2,000 deaths a year in Britain. Doctors believe that it is still tant lung physician at cannot explain why it is such as the house dust mite



Georgian church restored to its former glory

THE completion of the first phase of the restoration of a Georgian church in Hastings, East Sussex, which a fev years ago was considered fit only for demolition, will be marked by a topping-out on new life as a tourist centre.

December 14. It may have a St Mary-in-the-Castle was designed by Joseph Kay and completed in 1825 as the John Young describes how an elegant Georgian church in Hastings, East Sussex, was saved from destruction and is now being renovated

elegant town houses built against a cliff overlooking the sea. The church is fronted by a portico with Ionic

Pevsner, the architectural historian, as the best church of the 1820s, belonging to a great continental tradition. grade II starred. The name of the church

dates from four years after the Norman conquest, when a collegiate chapei was built in a castle on the West Hill for Robert, Count of Eu, who held the Rape of Hastings, a stretch of land containing the port and the castle. By the mid 16th century, the castle and the chapel were in ruins and, in 1581, the land was

in the late 18th century. the old cinque port became a fashionable watering place for London society. church, seating about 1,500 people, was commissioned by Pelham's descendant, the second Earl of Chichester, as his private chapel, in which the parishioners of the elegant new Regency resort would be invited to worship.

His son, the third earl, became increasingly involved in church affairs as an ecclesiastical commissioner and president of the Church Missionary Society. St Maryin-the-Castle became the parish church in 1884 and was fully restored four years later.

After the second world war, the congregation declined and the last Anglican service was held on September 13, 1970. The building was leased to the Assembly of God Full Gospel Church but the group could not raise the money for repairs, and the redundant building was sold in 1982.

Demolition and redevelopment proposals submitted by the new owner were rejected by Hastings borough council, which wanted the building preserved. Three years ago, the council bought as patron of the Georgian

John Papworth, the architect responsible for the restoration, said that when the council bought the building, large parts of the ceiling were on the floor, rain had poured in and the structural timbers were rotting. Vandals had hurled benches through the roof from the chiff top.

Bill Higginbottom, contract manager of Cox Brothers, the builders carrying out the restoration work, said: " had never seen anything like it. The floor was inches deep in seaguil droppings. We had to clean the whole place before we could even start work."

The building is sur-rounded by scaffolding and a temporary cover has been put up to allow reconstruction of the curved roof. Building materials have to be loaded and unloaded on the seafront as the approach road runs over the top of a row of shops and cannot support heavy traffic.

The men have not only had to develop new skills, but adapt to the old tough ways when stuff was humped Higginbottom said. they seem to enjoy it much more than working on the

average boring modern box." The first phase of the work is expected to cost about £1.3 million, with help from English Heritage, which is advising on restoration details. A final use for the building has yet to be agreed, but Mr Papworth would like to see it used as a "1066 centre" for tourists. The Oueen Mother partly prompted by Queen the building next summer.

Drug trial | Camelford girl 'knew pollution few details' trial opens

From Neil Kelly

THE younger of two teenage Birmingham girls on trial for attempted drug trafficking knew more about the operation than the elder defendant, a police captain told the criminal court yesterday, as the prosecution completed its case against Karen Smith, aged 19, who has pleaded guilty. Patricia Cabill, aged 17. her co-defendant, denies the charge. She is being tried separately in the juvenile

Police captain Chatchawal Pusitipong said he had found that Miss Smith knew only in a general way about the planning and itinerary of their trip to Thailand, while Miss Cahill "knew all the details". The judge disallowed one question by Miss Smith's lawyer because it implied, he said, that she had been made to do something against her will. "I don't believe that," he

The officer said that dates on the defendants' passports showed that Miss Cahill had obtained her passport for the journey to Thailand before Miss Smith got hers. He had gathered from the defendants that a third party had paid for their air tickets, and that someone, he did not know who, had been due to meet them in Amsterdam on their

The trial was adjourned until December 17.

THE South West Water Authority went on trial yes-terday, accused of polluting the public water supply which served the town of Camelford in north Cornwall more than

two years ago.
The hearing at Exeter crown court is expected to last more than three weeks. The authority denies two charges: between July 1 and July 31, 1988 and causing poison matter to enter the controlled waters of the River Camel.

The first charge alleges that the authority supplied water from the Lowermoor water treatment works containing enough aluminium sulphate to endanger the health or comfort of the public, that it failed to exercise reasonable care to ensure that the water was wholesome and that it endangered public health by

not giving a warning.
The second charge alleges that it caused poisonous matter, aluminium sulphate, to

enter the Camel. Before the jury was empanelled Judge Neville asked potential jurors whether any of them, or their close family or friends, were em ployed by, or had worked for, the authority, had lived in north Cornwall in 1988, or had shares in South West Water, the public company which succeeded the authority. Three men were ex-cluded. The trial was then

Pan Am 'permitted to ease airport checks'

A FORMER Pan Am security chief said yesterday that the authority gave the "dispensation" at a meeting of airlines in October 1987. He mission to ease airport security measures a year before the Lockerbie disaster. Mr Daniel Soneson, Pan

Am's former systems director of corporate security, said that the Federal Aviation Administration which regulates commercial airlines, allowed Pan Am to x-ray luggage rather than search it. Mr Soneson, general manager of airport services at Fort

admitted that there was no written record and said that he did not know that no other US airlines were under the impression that security had been eased.

The enquiry has been told that the bomb that blew up Pan Am Flight 103 was hidden in a suitcase carried on & feeder flight from Frankfurt. Baggage from the feeder flight Lauderdale, Florida, told the checks before being loaded on disaster enquiry at Dumfries to Flight 103 at Heathrow.



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Washington hawks fear deal as they count days to war

vent calendar for Washing- talks will convey a last messtonians marks the tides and moons in the Middle East as well as the Wise Men's Advent Star. It goes beyond Christmas on March 26. Each date in the countdown to religious cele-bration is also a date nearer to the United Nations deadline a possible war.

Those nights on which possible invasion beaches are made narrow by the tide are marked with the war sign of a coloured wave; those with moonless nights to hide invaders are marked with a black crescent: those with both, such as December 19 to 22, are the ones coloured red.

Signs of peace-and-goodwill come on the dates of the week beginning December 12, when Iraqi Foreign minister Tariq Aziz has been invited to Washington: also between the dates of December 15 and January 15, the day on which the United Nations mandate to use force comes into effect, and the last date on which retary of State James Baker is likely to go to Baghdad.

In the days since President Bush made his dramatic offer of direct talks with Iraq, Washington has become increasingly divided over what the move means. Official voices within the administration insist that the planned meetings with President Saddam Hussein and Tariq Aziz, the Iraqi foreign minister, will not be forums in which concessions will be made to Iraq either before or after withdrawal of its occupying force

The officials, avoiding the

age to President Saddam and that they are necessary to reassure domestic opinion. They add that they will discourage potential compromisers around the world from of January 15 approaches.

The debate for peace or war, they say, is still open. Nevertheless, the moonless, high-water nights of January 17 to 20 and February 16 to 18 are almost certainly ringed in red on administration calendars. In general the official voice

in Washington is hawkish too hawkish for several senators who listened to Dick Chency, the defence secretary, vesterday. None the less, for many hawks outside the administration the prospects for an appeaser's peace are still too high. Among others, the alarmed Dr Henry Kissinger, the former Secretary of State, who argues that, far from discouraging would-be mediators, the Baker mission will encourage self-styled peacemakers to conduct mercy dashes to Baghdad.

The result, he believes, would be a fragmentation of the alliance, postponement of stretching out of the militray option into the days of Ramadan and the Haj pilgrimage. In such circumstances, Dr Kissinger says, Sandi Arabia's own Islamic institutions will be under pressure that may be

Another prominent hawk, William Safire, a columnist on

THIS YEAR the smart Ad- world "ultimatum", say the The New York Times, argues that Mr Baker himself is by nature and instinct aimos certain to offer President Saddam a deal that will allow Iraq to retain its military might and enable the dictator to claim credit for subsequent Middle East peace conferences on the Palestinian question. Israeli diplomats, too, fear that will be the outcome.

On the other hand, those whose chief anxiety is to avoid war, even if it means leaving President Saddam to continue as a powerful regional menace, have welcomed the talks. Their hopes are the hawks' fear - diplomacy may gather momentum and eventually force some sort of com-promise with a Saddam regime weakened by sanctions. The professional teachers of

regional realpolitik say that a flattened Iraq will be merely a corpse upon which Iran and Syria can gorge, eventually themselves becoming equally dangerous threats. The preference of this camp is for a chastened President Saddam, or a successor, to maintain power. Such is their faith in Mr Baker's magic diplomatic skills that they think this can be achieved without war.

However, the only really important calendar, Mr Bush's, may still be blank. Those who have observed him closely in recent days say he seems well-prepared for war and that, in the aftermath of his trip to Saudi Arabia, he has become increasingly confident that a short, sharp and humiliating defeat can be inflicted upon Iraq, albeit at the cost of several thousand US lives.



Time to go: part of the 400-truck convoy of Samir Geagen's Lebanese Forces, which withdrew from Beirut to comply with a peace agree

Sanctions spur resourceful Iraqis to produce bumper food crops

From Nicholas Beeston in Baghdad

the Iraqi economy but the even thrive, under the most may never be known. stringent embargo.

could barely conceal his pride failed to take account of Iraq's when he was interviewed on ability to adapt and survive. Iraqi television's version of The Farming World, recount-ing in detail this season's increased crop output. With ber countries of the Organis-

SANCTIONS may have be- for Iraq to withdraw from August 16 to assess Iraq's sugar, are rationed, Baghdad's gun to bite in some areas of Kuwait, the answer to whether peasants are demonstrating in the long term by bringing that some sectors can survive, the Iraqi regime to its knees

But there is mounting evi-An elderly Kurdish farmer dence that the sanctions policy After sanctions were first imposed, economic counsellors from the embassies of mem-US-Iraqi talks taking place in ation for Economic Co-oper-the coming weeks, ahead of the January 15 UN deadline private talks in Baghdad on

nerability to the embargo. "With hindsight, the assessments proved to be way off the mark," a diplomat who attended the meeting said. "In particular, I recall one specialist calculating that the country had enough sugar for only 19 days and yet now, four months later, it is still avail-

most other goods." One example of Iraq's adaptability occurred in October when the then oil minister announced petrol rationing because Iraq did not have the chemical additives needed to week, however, another gov-ernment ministry found that it could manufacture the chemicals. Rationing was lifted, and the oil minister lost his job.

able in the shops along with

The military sector has displayed a similar resilience, and Western experts said that Iraq has continued its research and development projects.

Before August, Raghdad had relied on overseas suppliers for as much as 75 per cent of its food needs, but the agricultural sector, long nedected by a government with efence and technology priorities, has thrived now that resources have been diverted to farmers. Although basic would accomplish it for them items such as bread, rice and in a matter of months."

ago led Washington to break

off the dialogue with the

Palestine Liberation Organis-

ation and thus contributed to

the collapse of the Middle East

The gummen, all between

the ages of 20 and 30, and from the Palestine Liberation

Front led by Abu Abbas, were

each given 30 years in prison

by a military court at Lod.

Their leader, Ahmed Khalil

al-Wazir, aged 20, shouted defiantly in Arabic "a Pales-

The underground leader-

ship of the intifada or Pales-

tinian state will arise".

peace process,

shops are laden with locally produced meat, vegetables, fruit and such luxury goods as cigarettes and whisky, which have been smuggled in from Jordan, Turkey and Iran.

Haumum al-Shamah, a professor of economics at Baghdad University who recently completed a survey on the impact of sanctions, said the industrial sector had been hit by the embargo and 5 to 7 per cent of factories had shut.

"We estimate that 40 per cent of non-military industry would close down in one year and that by the end of the refine its crude oil. Within a second year the entire sector would come to a halt if the present conditions persisted," he said. "However, as far as agriculture goes, Iraq should never suffer from shortages, and we estimate that we will actually have a surplus of wheat in a year's time."

One Western diplomat conceded that it was fortunate that the sanctions policy had been eclipsed by diplomatic moves. "I actually had one Iraqi come up and thank me the other day," he said. "He told me that they had tried for years to become agriculturally self-sufficient, and that it looked as though the embargo

now on, an instruction widely

interpreted to mean an en-

dorsement by the intifada leadership of the use of guns as

well as stones and knives in a bid to force Israel to withdraw

from the occupied territories.

the May 30 raid on a crowded

beach at Nizzanim, near Tel

Aviv, had been launched from

Libya. The attack was foiled

and no Israeli lives were lost.

The prosecution said plans carried by the gunmen showed

they had intended to launch attacks on hotels and Western

embassies in Tel Aviv.

Israeli security sources said

Arabs in Israeli raid

given long jail terms

From Richard Owen in Jerusalem

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Beirut sees last militia go By All Jaber

IN BEIRUT AND **OUR FOREIGN STAFF**

FOR the first time since the civil war started in 1976. Beirut was yesterday freed of all private armies and militias with the withdrawal of the most formidable of them, the Christian Lebanese Forces, from the Lebanese capital.

The strength of the Lebaese Forces was evident from the 400-strong truck convoy which wound its way out of their stronghold in the Ashrafiyeh district of east Beirut and headed for the mountains, flying their own red-and-white flags and with tanks plastered with posters of Samir Geagea, their leader.

The convoy included Soviet-made T54 tanks, 240-mm mortars, 155-mm artillery, armoured personnel carriers, multi-barrel rocket launchers and jeeps and trucks loaded with tonnes of ammunition. A spokesman for the 2,000 militiamen on the march said their ammunition depots had been cleaned out. Government troops guarded their route along the coastal highway as thousands of people, many surprised by the arsenal

lined the roadside. The Christian militia's the Hezbollah, Amal Druze Muslim militias. With the capital now free of warring armies, 1,200 governmer brigades and an infantry battalion, moved into the Christian neighbourhoods in

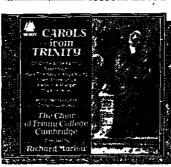
east Beirut to secure the area. But in Beirut's southern slums, Hezboliah guards at the entrance of their Neor el-Abed headquarters had not reliaquished their weapons, in defiance of an army communiqué which gave a warning that all weapons would be and their owners

Once the Lebanese arm completes its deployment President Hrawi intends to form a new cabinet to bring in the warlords. He would then enlarge the parliament and start a diplomatic campaign to force Israel to withdraw from its "security zone". The peace plan calls for the disbanding of all militia by next March and a Syrian troop withdrawal by





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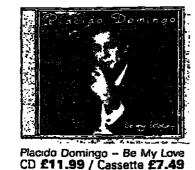


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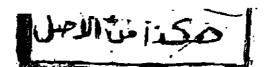




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Victorious Kohl faces problem in sending troops to Gulf



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Lafontaine: encouraging peace missions to Iraq

BEFORE the election Hel-mut Kohi promised that a to the Gulf situation and he united Germany would shoulder its international responsibilities. Now the West is waiting to see whether the new German superpower will make good

that pledge. Herr Kohl made the promise most recently when President Bush visited him in the Rhineland last month and politely pressed him for a greater commitment to helping shoulder the burden's of international responsibility. The American president had made no secret in the autumn that he was disappointed by the meagre German support he

pressed Herr Kohl to take a more positive lead in future. The chancellor was quick

to assure President Bush that he would act as soon as the elections were over. He could not do it until then, he explained, because an amendment to the German Basic Law was necessary in order to make it possible for Germany to send troops outside Nato's area. That amendment would need to be passed by the new Bundestag. It is a promise which will not be easy to keep.

The entire Basic Law must now have to be revamped; it was originally

Chancellor Helmut Kohl made a number of campaign promises to the West. Ian Murray examines the difficulties in fulfilling them

written only to last until unification made it possible to create a constitution.

An amendment to allow troops to serve outside Nato areas will be contentious and hard to draft. As the Basic Law stands, the Bundeswehr can be used for the maintenance of peace". Germany is allowed to "enter a system of collective security; in doing so it area "for the maintenance

view that the phrase does restrict deployment, which is why he has promised amendments. There is, however, no

widespread support for sending the Bundeswehr overseas. Oskar Lafontaine, the defeated Social Democratic candidate for chancellor, struck a popular note when he asked sarcastically during the campaign if the first act of the new, "great" Germany would be to send

ever, accepts the majority

troops to war in the Gulf. It was better to deploy Willy Brandt for peace than to deploy the Bundeswehr for war, he said. Herr portant, because any amendment to the Basic Law will require a twothirds majority of the Bundestag, and without the SPD Herr Kohl cannot achieve this. He will also face problems within his own coalition, for the liberal Free Democrats (FDP), are un-

man troops abroad. It is part of a deep, postwar German worry that sending soldiers overseas has bad historic implications. The SDP and FDP might be prepared to see troops go abroad, but only as part of a

peace-keeping force under UN command and only if

happy about sending Ger-

hibiting German arms sales abroad was also included. There would be insufficient support for an amendment which would allow German

soldiers to join a Gulf war. Apart from this issue is the question of turning the Basic Law into a constitution. A two-thirds majority is also needed for this and Herr Kohl faces a potential revolt from rightwingers unhappy about losing any possible claim on Polish territory.

The SPD, moreover, believes that the new constitution ought to be put to the population in the form of a referendum.

Liberals able to keep the chancellor in check

From Ian Murray in Bonn

HELMUT Kohl starts today the delicate task of forming a new coalition government which will be charged with overseeing the restructuring of eastern Germany. After their sweeping joint victory on Sunday, the three coalition parties will have a majority of 134, the biggest in the history of the Bundestag, with which to press through their policies. Their greatest political difficulties, therefore, threaten to be internal rather than

This is evident from the fact that Herr Kohl has been emphasising that there is no time pressure now. Before the election he said he hoped to announce the names of his new government before Christmas. Yesterday he was saying that he had all the time in the world; that four years was a long time to work together and that careful preparation was all

important. He spoke during the day with both Count Otto Lambsdorff, leader of the liberal Free Democrats (FDP), and with the Bavarian Christian Social Union (CSU) to make preliminary arrangements for coalition negotiations. Significantly he decided to hold discussions first with the CSU, before calling in the FDP, which is certain to want a larger say in policy as well as a higher number of portfolios as its price for joining

Despite Herr Kohl's vote-winning role as "the chancellor of unity", his Christian Democrat Union (CDU) had its worst election result since he became chancellor in 1982. Although the two sister CDU-CSU parties maintained their position as the largest group in the Bundestag, the FDP was the party which gave the coalition its overwhelming majority, picking up votes everywhere in the country and decisively seizing the balance of power.

In Halle, where Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the party's best-known member was born, an FDP candidate even managed to win a direct mandate, the first time the party has achieved this. Although anxious to form a new coalition with Herr Kohl, the FDP has won enough seats to make it possible to bring the Social Democrats (SPD) back to power if it decides to change sides, as it did when it joined the CDU in 1982.

Whether the FDP considers it wise to make a switch depends on how successful Herr Kohl and his new team are in restructuring eastern Germany while protecting the value of the Deutschmark in

western pockets. If things start going badly wrong and Herr Kohl looks like losing the next election in 1994, the FDP is quite capable of switching its allegiance in order to stay in government, particuarly if Herr Kohl has not followed the kind of

policies the liberals have been advocating. They have been calling for lower tax levels in the east
than in the west, for heavy cuts in
defence spending, including axing
the European Fighter Aircraft, and
for new priorities in public spending. The liberals also want a new law on abortion reform, which will be difficult for the Catholic side of the CDU to accept.

One senior FDP member who will not be available for the cabinet is Helmut Haussmann, economics minister for the past two years, who announced yesterday that after 20 years of political activity he wanted to have more free time.

The SPD is relying on its gloomy economic forecasts coming true as its best hope of recovering from its worst defeat since 1953. It has decided to choose its defeated candidate, Oskar Lafontaine, to take over as party leader, although he will not take his seat in the Bundestag. leaving the task of running the party there to Hans-Jochen Vogel,

the former president. Herr Lafontaine has been encouraged by the fact that younger voters everywhere were choosing the SPD, while the party made modest but real advances all over eastern Germany after its disastrous showing in the Volkskammer elections there last

Herr Kohl, he said yesterday, had been elected by the old, nostalgic generation. His heavy defeat was tempered by the fact that he increased his party's vote by over 7 per cent in his home territory of Saarland and was elected directly as a constituency member. In the Rhineland Palatinate, Herr Kohl only held his seat through being picked as the lead CDU candidate on the state list.

Herr Lafontaine has now told his supporters that the SPD has already mapped out the scenario for the future with its predictions of soaring unemployment, social tension and plunging productivity. In four years or less, he insists, the truth of those predictions will sweep the CDU from office.

The SPD will nevertheless find some problems coping with the demands of the communist Party of Democratic Socialists (PDS), whose tiny group is threatening to steal the SPD thunder whenever possible, arguing that the western Socialists just do not understand what the true problems are. Since it has so few seats, the PDS cannot constitute a group and will have to fight a difficult constitutional battle in order to obtain its voting

rights in the Bundestag. Having lost all their seats, the Greens in the west, meanwhile, are having to regroup, probably merging eventually with the movement in the east to fight the next election together.

GERMAN ELECTIONS - 1990 MECKLENBURG-WESTERN POMERANIA SCHLESWIG-Turnout 78.5 (84.3) 74.5 (93.6) Seat 239 51 79 CDU CSU (DSU in East) FDP 35.9 (37) 9.1 (9.8) 10.6 (9.1) 43.4 (42.7) 1.0 (6.6) 13.4 (5.6) Coalition total Hambur 55.6 (55.9) 56.8 (n/a) BREMEN HAMBURG SPD PDS 35.9 (37) 0.3 (-) 23.6 (20.8) 9.9 (15.2) 5.9 (-) LOWER SAXONY Alliance '90/Greens Greens 4.7 (8.3) Republicans Others (16 parties) 1.3 (-) NORTH-RHINE Polsdam Magdeburg BRANDENBURG WESTPHALIA Total 100 636 SAXONY-ANHALT any and March, 1990, in East Germany in brackets) Turnout 77.8% Erfurt C **▲**Lerpzig Bonn_ HESSE BERLIN RHINELAND-Wiesbaden PALATINATE 4 SAXONY Simultaneous vote for Bundestag and City Council General election result State capitals City election resul Turnout 81.1% Turnout 81% ■ Provisional state capitals CDU FDP SPD 40.3 9.2 30.5 5.0 4.0 9.2 39.3 9.3 Other major cities Stuttgart BAVARIA 30.5 Alt List/Greens All 90/Greens 3.9 3.3 9.7 2.4 BADEN-NÜRTTEMBERG PDS Munich

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Some, like Rupert Scholz,

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Weary voters have the last laugh

From Anne McElvoy in Berlin

THE sheep in the corner of the field in Mühlenbeck, north of Berlin were hard at work yesterday devouring a giant picture of the victorious chancellor. Along the main streets of Berlin the hoardings of Helmut Kohl, Oskar Lafontaine and the lesser stars in the firmament have already toppled over in the high winds.

On the morning after the battle, the municipal authorities sent out reminders to all parties to delay their inquests until they had cleared away the debris of democracy. For a nation which tirelessly

wears the badge of being environment-friendly, the Germans fight election campaigns with disregard for the landscape. Not even the remotest Thuringian village has been without its outbreak of ragged posters from which Kohl, Lafontaine and Lambsdorff at-

tempted to outsmile one another. Hopes that it might all be over more quickly this time were raised by a rather too believable comedy sketch broadcast on the ARD network in October. A young woman with the petrified hairtypical German newsreader announced that the Social Democrats were now so far behind the CDU that they were to give up campaigning to save the pollution caused by jetting around in private. aircraft. The millions of marks saved in campaign funds would be invested in job creation in the

stricken east, she said. Within minutes the station switchboard was jammed with calls applauding the announcement. So great was the enthusiasm for ending campaigning six weeks style and ghastly blouse of the before the election (some even

support switched to the parties

For the next four years the

Greens will have to rely on their

point of view being put before

parliament by the eight raw mem-

bers elected in the eastern part of

the country, who represent an

alliance between the citizens'

rights movement, Alliance '90.

and the Greens. Although taking

only 1.9 per cent of the vote

nationally, they won seats due to a

special provision for this election,

which meant groups in the east

only had to obtain a 5 per cent

Greens in the east highlights the

deep rifts that have dogged the

movement. Their eclipse in the

west means the two will try to

form one party.

If they succeed, the nature of the

movement is likely to change,

since the members in the east want

to add a more practical political

dimension than has prevailed in

the west. According to Frau Vera

Wollenberger, one of the eight new

members, what is under dis-

cussion is a new "Green citizens'

forum", a merger of Green ideas

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share there in order to qualify.

with the power to act.

voting for Herr Lafontaine after all) that the SPD had to hire a slot later the same evening to announce it was still in the fight. Laughs? We had a few, but then

again, not that many. Quips are still not part of the armoury of a German politician, although Herr Lafontaine, the vanquished SPD challenger, daringly remarked that Herr Kohl's evasive pronouncements on the "to be or not to be question of tax increases resembled the performances of the pop duo Milli Vanilli - "he just keeps on moving his lips, but no intelligible sound comes out". Against the verbal grey of the rest of the campaign, it was treated as an unexcelled example of Wildean daring.

Herr Kohl is not one of nature's wits, but relied instead on his habit of putting his large foot in his even larger mouth. The party officials who stewarded him from event to event called their task "Helmut-sitting" and admitted that their Herr Bundeskanzler on an unguarded day resembled an

of china in his speech before the as "My D-Mark and Gentlemen."

vote for East German communist drink for the first politician vol-

said they would now consider

'elephant in a porcelain shop". He pirouetted neatly into a pile

first all-German sitting of the Bundestag in October. Rising to begin a new chapter in German parliamentary history with the words "Meine Damen und Herren", he addressed the sitting MPs At least half of the 2 per cent

Gregor Gysi must have come from people relieved to see a candidate with a consistent sense of humour. Ritually reviled by the CDU, hated by the SPD as a solitter of the left vote, and snumed by the citizens' groups of the east as the successor to the old bardliners. Herr Gysi has offered to buy a untarily to sit next to him when parliament convenes. And he described his party's vote yesterday as "a victory of quality over

Chancellor must hold united nation together

By ANNE McElvoy

WHEN Helmut Kohl, the chancellor, first beheld the satisfying sight of his convincing win over the Social Democrats on Sunday night, one of his first comments was that he was pleased that the party had done almost equally well in both parts of the country, the federal republic and the former German Democratic Republic

This was a give-away line for a politician who after unity in October chided his aides repeatedly for referring to "the former GDR" and single-handedly chris-tened the east: "The five new federal states".

Despite his insistence on the symbolism of oneness, Herr Kohi knows that his main task now is holding together the two newly welded souls in the German breast, while economic considerations dictate that east and west will be separated by a wall of prosperity for years to come.

Unemployment and industrial unrest in the east have been skilfully contained by his Christian Democrats in the run-up to the election. The management of unemployment by the introduction of compulsory part-time working in many factories and the "gratitude vote" ensured the party's success

Herr Kohl's problems will begin in earnest in January, when thousands of families face the financial hangover of their first Deutschmark Christmas coupled with off workers as part of a sweeping

"trim to survive" strategy. The railway strike which briefly paralysed the eastern network in the run-up to the election is unlikely to be the only major industrial action in the new year. The unions, traditionally the puppets of the regime, are emerging with their heads held high in the east once again and relishing the honest fight on their hands.

Wages in the public sector in the east are rarely even half of that earned by a worker doing the same job in the west. Until now Bonn has justified the discrepancy by pointing to the vestiges of the communists' economic mess. and the gentle reminder that east Germans are substantially better off than their neighbours in Eastern Europe.

But the election is a powerful psychological break with the past for the population in the east. They are already showing signs of impatience with western politicians who too frequently exploit the 40 years of dictatorship as a reason for inequalities. Herr Kohl is now their chancellor, too, by their decree and resistance is growing to being treated as "sec-

The new legislative period will discover those difficulties and differences which were swept under the carpet of unity earlier in the year. The underground networks of the Stasi secret police did not cease to function with unity It would be a statistical miracle if some of the newly elected eastern MPs were not sooner or later unveiled as former conspirators. Few would be prepared to bet that there will not be a clutch of political and economic scandals ahead of Herr Kohl.

East and west Germany now have different abortion laws for a transitional period of two years with a raging row ahead. Eastern politicians elected to the Bundestag, many in Chancellor Kohl's own party, are already under pressure from their constituents to campaign against the forfeit of abortion on demand in early

Public opinion in the east is more liberal than the west on this and similar issues, and the CDU will have to find ways of juggling its bedrock support among the socially conservative in the west and that in the east, based rather on a perception of the party as the radical bringer of free market prosperity than the preserving force of traditional values.

● Honecker's fate: President Gorbachev will decide on whether to hand over Erich Honecker, the former east German leader, to the Berlin justice authorities to stand trial on manslaughter charges, the Soviet embassy's Berlin office said yesterday. A statement said that it involved "serious questions" but Moscow did not intend to stand in the way of German justice.

Greens contemplate four years in the wilderness

By Ian Murray

SHATTERED Green party members of the Bundestag yesterday were still unable to believe that none of them had been re-elected in the first all-German election. "It still has not properly percolated through into my brain," Uwe Gunther said.

After eight years in parliament the Greens had begun to think they had become a permanent part of the political scene. The fact that they failed to clear the 5 per cent hurdle in order to qualify for any seats means they will now be out by Christmas, their Boan offices handed over to communists and citizens' rights members from what was East Germany.

The movement has realised, however, that it will have to fight to survive in the political arena and a special conference is now to be called next February to try to thrash out a programme which will hold its supporters together, ready to try to win its way back

For the present, the manageinto parliamenment committee is to stay in office, with nobody offering to take the biame for the Greens winning only 30 per cent of the vote, despite the fact that public



awareness of environmental problems has never been higher. The dangerous levels of pollution in eastern Germany are one of the most serious problems facing the

new government. According to Renate Damus, the Greens' leading spokes-

woman, the blame lies not with the movement's politicians but with the political developments connected with German unity. Because of a "Deutschland cuphoria", she said, the public was just not interested in environmental issues.

The Greens also suffered because the main parties, particularly the Social Democrats (SPD), embraced the cause of environmentalism. With the SPD campaigning for the ecology and the government coalition promising to help protect nature, popular

with the citizens' movements.

Greens' fortunes, page 16 quantity".

Russia takes radical step to private land ownership From Bruce Clark in Moscow

LEGISLATORS of the Rus- holdings were immoral, unsian Federation last night overcame bitter opposition from conservatives to cast an historic vote in favour of the principle of private ownership

In a great tactical victory for Boris Yeltsin, the Russian president, and his radical supporters a resolutions.

The company of the company o supporters, a resolution approving private holdings was hedged about with tight conditions to mollify hardliners and secure a 602-369 vote in

The main condition, de signed to meet ideological objections and fears that property will be concentrated in criminal or foreign hands, is that land may only be bought from, and sold back to, the locally elected authorities.

Land may not be sold for 10 years after its acquisition, according to another provision in the resolution that was adopted after heated debate in the Russian legislature.

Conservative deputies from rural areas, where collective farm chairmen wield enormous influence, argued persistently that private land

Warnings voiced in Moscow

From Bruce Clark IN MOSCOW

GRAVE warnings about the Soviet Union's explosive social climate were issued by conservatives as well as radicals when both groups held meetings here at the weekend to rally their forces for an intensifying political struggle.

At a gathering of the hardline parliamentary group Soyuz, it threatened to introduce a motion of no-confidence in President Gorbachev, and its founder, Colonel

Viktor Alksnis, proposed a strict state of emergency.

The other meeting was the first congress of the Democratic Party of Russia, founded six months ago. It was intended to launch an uncompromising struggle against the Communists in factories, ministries and the armed forces, as well as at the

In a statement it issued a warning about the danger of violence caused by rising political and social tensions. "The resort to force in current conditions will lead to bloody events on an enormous scale,

possibly even worldwide catastrophe," it said. At the Soyuz meeting, Colonel Alksnis spelt out his proposals for a state of emergency, saying that parliaments at all levels should be dissolved and the Congress of People's Deputies, the su-preme legislature which is due to convene on December 17,

a committee of national salvation with wide powers. Colonel Alksnis said of President Gorbachev: "I highly respect his quality and his honour ... but his trouble is that he is a romantic democrat, and now that the country is on the brink of national catastrophe he does

not suit this cruel period." However, the Soyuz move-ment is expected to wait until announcing whether it will in fact introduce a no-confidence



Treaty blow to Baltic hopes

Union which do not sign the new Treaty of Union will be regarded as subject to the old treaty and not as having

This clarification, given yes-terday by Rifat Nishanov, chairman of the parliament's Council of Nationalities, appears to dash the hopes of the Baltic republics and Georgia that their refusal to sign would be tantamount to leaving the

Mr Nishanov was presenting the draft union treaty to the Soviet parliament, the first time the document has been given a public airing since it was published 10 days ago. President Gorbachev, who sees the new treaty as crucial to holding the Soviet Union together, was present.

The parliaments of the Baltic republics, Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania, have voted for independence from the Soviet Union and the present Georgian government was elected on a platform of full

The ruling that these republics will remain subject to the old treaty unless they sign the

REPUBLICS of the Soviet new one means that they will likely to arouse intense debate ponderous procedures laid down in the law on secession. A Baltic deputy, Mikhail Bronshtein, objected in vain

that as the republics had not signed the original treaty of 1922, they could not be held to its provisions. The draft union treaty makes no mention of secession. It stipulates only that

membership of the union is voluntary and that members can vote to expel a member which violates the terms of the treaty. Challenged to say how a republic could secede, Mr Nishanov said that any breakup of the union could only be a "step backward". He pointed out that repub-

lics could not only delegate more powers to the centre hy special perotiation, but could also be granted more powers by the centre. This might offer the would-be independent republics a small loophole.

Another question preoccupied parliamentary deputies.Why had the draft treaty replaced the word "socialist" the title of the USSR? This is

be expected to follow the at the full Soviet parliament, the Congress of People's Deputies, which opens in two weeks' time.

Deputies considered their own role in the new structure, which provides for an elected lower chamber, as at present, but an upper chamber made up of nominees from the republics and ethnic minorities. The Chamber of Nationalities questioned whether nomination was more democratic than direct election.

The Chamber of the Union members were also unhappy, fearing that the proposed new role of the Council of the Federation, meant that it would take over many of the functions of parliament. At for a looser form of union in sent, the council, consisting of the presidents, prime sovereign states in their own isters and communist party leaders of the 15 republics, has a purely advisory role. According to Mr Nishanov.

distinction will be drawn between autonomous remiblics, which will be treated like full republics, able to sign the union republic. This means that the disputed territory of Nagorno-Karabakh will have to come to an agreement with the republic of Azerbaijan. South Osettia will have to negotiate with Georgia.

As these regions are already loggerheads with their republics, this would be a recipe for even more civil

The only republic which contains smaller autonomous republics is the Russian Federation, and the distinction drawn yesterday can be interpreted as an attempt to exert pressure on the Russian Federation to sign the treaty in its present form. Boris Yeltsin. the Russian leader, has argued which the republics are virtual

The autonomous areas. populated by and large by ethnic minorities, have traditionally regarded the central Soviet authorities as providing protection against the majority. Their fears have treaty themselves, and the been used in turn to further with the word "sovereign" in others who will be treated as the interests of the centre

Poverty puts Poland under siege

From ROGER BOYES IN WARSAW

on Eastern Europe. In Warsaw's Eastern railway satation, where hundreds of Romanian and Bulgarian refugees spend the night - their day is occupied with begging - the swaddled mothers heat up the billycans for supper and spread blankets on the floor. Occasionally, as passengers enter for late-night trains, a gust of snow sprinkles the

deputy from the Soviet Far

East who is one of the leading

advocates of rapid political

change.

The debate was skilfully

chaired by Mr Yeltsin, who

had to use great tactical skill to

avoid acrimony between rad-

icals and conservatives getting

out of hand. At one point he

rebuked a radical who pro-

posed holding a referendum

not on land ownership but on

confiscating all the Com-

munist Party's property.

Other parts of the resolution

call for big investment in agriculture to improve what is

widely agreed to be the

wretched economic state of

many rural areas of the Rus-

● TOKYO: Japan announced

yesterday that it will send

transport experts to Moscov

mext month to help the Sovie

Union make its outmoded

distribution and warehousing

system more efficient (Joe

Tokyo, whose relations with

Moscow are cool because of a

long-running territorial dis-pute over the Kurile islands,

blames the empty shelves in

Soviet food shops on poor distribution rather than scarce

supplies. Taizo Watanabe, Ja-

pan's foreign ministry spokes-

man, said: "When the wheat

harvest is the best in recent

years, why do people starve?

Discipline first, page 16

There is no easy answer."

Joseph writes).

sleeping children. Doctors say that 80 per cent of the refugee children are should as its final act appoint suffering from contagious diseases but the parents refuse hospital treatment, fearing that this is the first move towards expulsion and a forced return to an even colder at home to the real thing. winter in the Balkans.

There are 50,000 Romanian refugees in Poland, several thousands of Belorussians and Ukrainians (or ethnic Poles

THE first snows have fallen tier. The Soviet invasion ex- prices adds \$45 million (£22 the standard of living has and famine.

For its eastern neighbours, Poland is now a relatively prosperous destination. There Bulgarian strawberry jam or are no food shortages, the cars and buses still run, the flats are and oil is over. heated. Yet the Poles see it differently. There are perhaps Czechoslovakia have at least 45,000 people waiting for a visa to America. Others are waiting for the Germans to keep their promise to ease visa restrictions. Then the young Poles will make their escape from the would-be capitalism

Eastern Europe is heading for deep recession and economic misery as bad as anythousand Bulgarians, and, it is thing experienced since the feared, within months there winter of 1945. The Gulf could be thousands upon confrontation in particular is putting the squeeze on the East European economies. from those republics) crossing The Hungarian finance minthe Bug river and the poorly ister, Dr Ferenc Rabar, estipatrolled Soviet-Polish fron- mates that every \$1 rise in oil Ceausescu's Romania. Now

Union will be denominated in dollars - the era of swapping suspect Czech shoes for gas

Poland, Hungary and managed to scrape together some reserves over the past year and have enough cash to pay for essential fuel supplies. But they are finding that the Soviet Union is no longer interested in their engineering products, their traditional exports, and that contracts with the former East Germany are not being renewed. The result

the region. Bulgaria presents probably the saddest picture. For years it thought of itself as the market garden of socialism, incomparably better off than

pected in 1980 when Solidar- million) to the Hungarian fuel slipped dramatically and has ity burst into action is in 1990 bill. At the same time the reached an almost Romanian becoming a reality: not the Soviet Union is cutting back nadir. Food shops are open rumbling of tanks but the its deliveries to all East Euro- only a few hours a day. Bread westward march of poverty pean countries. From January is difficult to get and there are and famine.

1 all trade with the Soviet shortages of many other staples.

Even in Sofia electricity is cut off every three hours for an hour or so. The blackouts are growing more frequent, partly because of the closing of two reactors in Bulgaria's only nuclear power station at Kozlodiy.

The strains that this economic winter is putting on young democratic institutions can be seen throughout the region. Social envy, the accumulated anger of the workers, this is the new revolutionary passion. Yesterday in the middle of Warsaw there was an - factory closures throughout impatient, disorderly queue of women fighting to buy fur coats for more than £2,000 a piece. The expression on the faces of the passers-by, full of fury and disgust, was an eloquent warning of the trou-ble ahead.

Ershad lifts press controls

Dhaka - President Ershad of Bangladesh yesterday lifted press censorship imposed under a state of emergency a week ago, as the country braced itself for an indefinite strike from today.

Earlier the president had urged security forces to deal harshly with demonstrators. The opposition parties have urged all workers to strike for eight hours a day from today. They want President Ershad to resign and hand over to an interim government before free elections can be held (Reuter)

Rebels close in

Mogadishu - United Somali Congress rebels were only 30 miles northeast of the capital, Mogadishu, according to a correspondent who spent four days in the rebel zone. Advance units were only two hours away by road. In the capital, several people have been killed in four days of clashes between rival clans, witnesses said. (AFP, Reuter)

Aid for China

Peking - Italy and Spain will be the first EC countries to renew aid and loans to China, suspended after the Tiananmen Square killings. The China Daily said the move followed a visit to the two countries by a high-level delegation in November, the first since the partial lifting of community sanctions last month. (AFP)

3,000 homeless

Moscow - Three thousand people have been left homeless by an earthquake in Kirghizia in Soviet Central Asia, but no lives were lost. Tass said the earthquake registered 6.5 on the 12-point Mercalli scale. Its epicentre was near Uzgen in the west of the republic. Tents and basic essentials had been sent to the area. (AFP)

Bhopal protest

Bhopal - About 5,000 survivors of the 1984 gas leak that killed about 1,750 people demonstrated outside the Union Carbide pesticides factory here. They chanted slogans and burnt effigies to mark the sixth anniversary of the industrial disaster. (AFP)

MADRID NOTEBOOK by Juan Carlos Gumucio

Sins of the rich spice Spain's cafe gossip

adrid's stuffy political est-ablishment may have sur-vived its first serious battle with the Roman Catholic Church, but the war is far from over. The latest pastime in Madrid's cafes is guessing who the bishops were aiming at when they fired salvoes against abuse of power and overall moral degradation".

There is consensus that the bishops were thinking quite a lot about Senor Alfonso Guerra lately. The deputy prime minister is married wife lives in Seville, but he lives with an attractive artist and their young daughter in Madrid. His younger brother, Juan, is thought to have amassed a small fortune overnight thanks to his good connections with the ruling Socialist Party and the still unexplained use of a rent-free government office.

Perhaps a more difficult task in the bar talk of Madrid is trying to identify the one main target of the bishops' observation that Socialists in Spain, far from narrowing the economic gap, have helped to promote a harmful admiration for luxury and bedonism. Some interpre-

ters of the Church's criticism name Isabel Preysler, the Manila-born former wife of the singer, Julio Iglesias, who now in her third marriage is wedded to Miguel Boyer, a former Socialist cabinet minister and prominent banker. Parties at their 44-room mansion never fail to make big headlines, but it is hard to compete with the attention drawn by other Socialist-favoured socialites or even their pets.

The Baroness von Thyssen, the former Miss Spain, Carmen Cervera, is fighting a legal battle invol-ving millions of pesetas against someone who was bitten by her lapdog. Another admired name among get-rich-quick Spaniards is that of Mario Conde, the Galician banker whose spectacular rise to riches is the model for business students.

Gossip specialists say there is little doubt that the bishops were referring to the socially accepted and much publicised romance of Alberto Cortina and beautiful Marta Chávarri. Señor Cortina is perhaps better known for his now shattered marriage to Alicia Koplowitz, one of the richest women in Europe.

zález, the prime mi risks discovering that he might have chosen the wrong weapons. Revelations about his secret passion for hunting may shoot down the votes of "Green" Spaniards and animal lovers.

According to Madrid's Tribuna. magazine, Señor González is a closet hunter who has been spotted in forest reserves in Los Montes de Toledo, in spite of complicated



arrangements to keep his hobby a state secret. Reportedly, he is a helicopter-borne stalker who never hunts with friends. only by one bodyguard and a guide, Senor Gonzalez apparently shoots like a political propagandist — with broadsides and scattershot. The magazine quoted a resident of the area as saying that one of the prime minister's recent trophies included a deer which was "pretty small.

he people of the south-eastern village of Cieza are dressed in mourning this week after a typically Spanish tragedy in which three young wouldbe toreros were gunned down by the light of the full moon. The killings, in a pasture where fighting bulls were grazing, remain a mystery, but a possible cause was mentioned in whispers at the village cemetery. The novilleros could have violated

an ancient code.

Ambitious novilleros have always been tempted to risk death by moonlight to practise their art in secret with full-grown fighting bulls, bred and pampered for the big-time maestros. The practice is strictly forbidden because, once a bull has been caped, it is considered too wise and dangerous for a builfight.

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Curfews as violence in townships escalates

From Reuter in thokoza, south africa

AT LEAST 64 people have Tembisa have been some of been killed in a wave of knife and gun battles for political hit by the violence since midsupremacy in South African August.

black townships.
Police said yesterday that 52
bodies had been found in Thokoza, a township 15 miles east of Johannesburg.

"We found 14 bodies between last night and this morning. By the afternoon, 38 more bodies had been picked up, making it 52 in Thokoza alone," a police spokesman, lda van Zweel, said yesterday. Eight other bodies were found in Tembisa and four in Katlehong townships, also east of Johannesburg, since the fighting started on Sunday afternoon. The law and order minister, Adriaan Vlok, imposed a curlew yesterday on Kathlehong, Thokoza, Vosloorus and Bekkersdal

"There is no place in South Africa for violence or inflammatory talk. Violence can only retard the evolution of the new South Africa for which all peace-loving citizens are striving," Mr Vlok said. Military reinforcements were being called in to help the police to restore order, he said. "Now is the time for all parties involved to sit down and talk their differences and to prevent further loss of life during the approaching festive

All but one of the dead were blacks who had been shot and stabbed. A white security guard was shot, stabbed and set on fire in Katlehong.

In one incident a reporter witnessed a man being attacked with cane-cutting knives before being finished off with an automatic rifle by a group of assailants. Scores of other bodies lay scattered in Nxala street, one of the township's main streets. Three bodies, one decapitated, lay on the street leading to Thokoza's Phola Park squai-

ter camp. At the corner of one of the streets young and middle-aged men were making petrol bombs. We are going to burn down the hostel (for migrant workers). It is the breeding ground for this slaughter," one

of the youths said. Thokoza residents sought refuge at the local hospital where more than 65 people had been admitted with gun and knife wounds. Others have fled to nearby open ground to escape fighting.

We have nowhere to 20. Although it is raining, it is better to be in an open veid so as to see the approaching attackers," one resident said.

More than 900 people have been killed in political factional fighting which has slowed negotiations on political reform between the white government and Nelson Mandela's African National Congress (ANC).

The fighting has been mainly between township residents loyal to the ANC and migrant workers from Natal province sympathetic to the Zulu-based Inkatha Freedom Party of Mangosuthu Buthelezi, Mr Mandela's main political rival. Thokoza, Katlehong and

The latest fierce fighting began in Thokoza on Sunday

the Johannesburg townships

afternoon when migrant hostel dwellers attacked residents of Phola Park squatter camp. Thokoza residents teamed up with the squatters to retaliate.

Opposing groups armed with AK 47 automatic rifles, hand grenades, petrol bombs, cane knives and clubs, fought running battles throughout Sunday night and yesterday The rival factions burned

down shacks and attacked houses in the townships and a three-way running battle ensued between the police, Zniu migrant workers and township Hostel dwellers with white headbands marched past an

and police in it did not disarm the men. Mr Mandela has blamed the police for fanning the violence and siding with lnkatha dur-ing the fighting.

army truck, but the soldiers



Township tragedy: a woman in Thokoza weeping yesterday as police loaded the body of a man on to their armoured vehicle after overnight violence between rival blacks

Delhi acts with speed to curb growing unrest

From Christopher Thomas in Delhi

IN THREE weeks of power, among the traditionally docile india's minority government has put the strategic oil-nch state of Assam under direct rule, arrested six top Sikh leaders in Punjah, and secretly assembled plans for a political initiative in Kashmir. This week it is seeking a peace deal with Hindu extremists.

The government is moving with almost frantic speed to tackle terrorism and the breakdown of law and order caused by caste and religious disputes. Its plans include tougher security in Punjab. possibly involving a deployment of troops to fight terrorists killing an unprecedented 20 to 30 people a day.

A significant peace bid in Kashmir is also being considered. The government is prepared to release prominent leaders held under national security laws and may hold out the prospect of substantial self-government. Farooq Abdullah, the dis-

credited former chief minister of the state of Jammu and tions, much to the dismay of many Kashmiris His administration, widely regarded as corrupt, saw the first eruption of widescale armed revolt Hindus and Muslims.

Kashmiris. Mr Abdullab has been consulting Rajiv Gandhi, leader of the Congress (I) party, over possible political moves in the state.

Chandra Shekhar, the prime minister, and Mian Nawaz Sharif, his new Pakistani counterpart, agreed when they met for the first time at a regional summit in the Maldives last month to stay in frequent telephone contact to avoid war over Kashmir With war no longer likely, Delhi is ready to open peace talks with Kashmin leaders.

There are also cautious bopes of a solution to a Hindu-Muslim dispute over a holy site in the Uttar Pradesh city of Ayodhya. The Hindu extremists who brought down the previous government are again planning to storm the Babri Masnd, a 16th-century mosque, on Thursday.

The Chandra Shekhar goverament hopes to avoid another bloody conflict in Ayodhya and Mr Gandhi, Kashmir and head of the whose party is propping up Mr National Conference, is Chandra Shekhar's Janua Dal closely involved in an (S) grouping in parliament, examination of political op- has proposed a formula in which Hindus would be able to build a temple next to the mosque. Mr Gandhi believes his plan would satisfy most

French see rebel leader in Chad

From Philip Jacobson IN PARIS

AS CALM returned to the streets of Ndjamena yes-terday, the youthful com-mander of the rebel troops that swept into the Chad capital last weekend was

savouring his victory Idriss Deby has already received the French ambassador and a special government envoy dispatched from Paris to assess the new situation

The French have said there is no evidence of direct Libyan involvement But Mr Deby seems to have rejected the French view of what should happen now - a period of transition under the interim leadership of the Chad parliament. "We fought against the existing political system and its institutions," he told journalists. "The old guard cannot be involved in what

happens now." It has been confirmed that Chad's former president, Hissene Habre, previously reported dead, is safe in neighbouring Cameroon.

• Flying out: The French foreign ministry said yes-terday that another evacuation flight was to take about a hundred more of its citizens out of Chad. Some 1,600

Bush will keep to Argentina visit

From Reuter in Brasilia

gether for democracy and

prosperity. Mr Bush was greeted in ities, the two leaders had private talks.

The opening of his fivenation tour was marred by concern over events in Argentina, where a military insurrection in Buenos Aires, the capital, prompted President Menem to declare a state of siege just two days before Mr Bush's planned arrival.

Mr Bush told Senhor de thoughts of changing my plans. I have great confidence in the security there". One American official who re-quested anonymity said: "It looks like an inter-military

In an address to the Brazilian Congress, Mr Bush praised



Collor de Melle: leader of state with huge debts

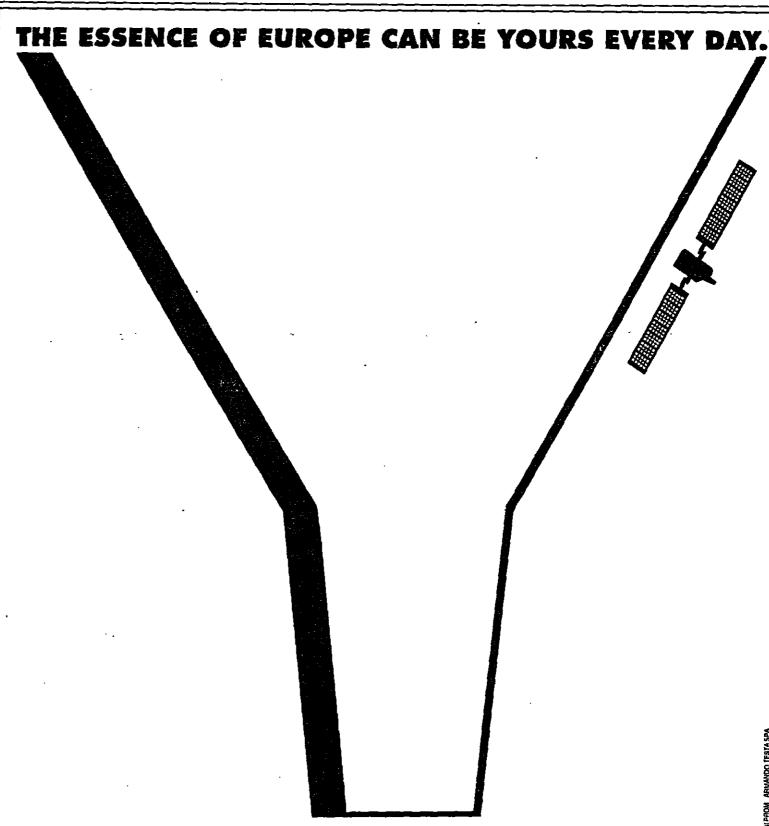
PRESIDENT Bush, at the Senhor de Mello's leadership start of a week's goodwill visit and called on all Latin-Amerito Latin America, yesterday can countries to continue to called on all Western hemi- work to strengthen democracy sphere nations to work to- and economic freedom in the

"To fulfil the new world's destiny, all of the Americas Brazil by Presidem Collor de and the Caribbean must em-Mello at the Planalto palace, bark on a venture for the After the welcoming formal-coming century - to create the first fully democratic bemisphere in the history of mankind, the first hemisphere devoted to the democratic ideal, to unleash the power of free peoples, free elections and

free markets," he said. With Mr Bush was his daughter, Dorothy LeBlond, who agreed to deputise for her mother after the First Lady was laid low by a minor sinus also accompanied by a group of economic advisers, including Nicholas Brady, his treasury secretary, and Carla Hills,

the US trade representative. Economically, Brazil is the most important country on the 12,000-mile tour, which is also to include Uruguay, Chile and Venezuela. Brazil has the tenth biggest economy in the world and is America's third largest trading partner in the Americas, after Canada and

Brazilian officials see the American leader's visit as a chance to try to enlist his help in dealing with the country's crushing foreign debt, which totals \$119 billion (£61 billion). Mr Bush, in turn, hopes that the visit will show the region that he is not subordinating its concerns to the Gulf confrontation and the sweeping changes in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe.



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A foul deed they will rue

Some see the destruction of Mrs Thatcher by her own party in mystical terms, like a passage from Sir James Frazer's The Golden Bough. According to this version, Tory MPs did not know individually what they were doing, but were compelled by a Jungian "collective unconscious" to do the dreadful deed out of a primeval instinct of self-preserva tion. Having slaughtered their queen they then chose her favourite son as chieftain, and not the matricide who had conspired with older, jealous members of the tribe

to plant the first dagger.

If that is so, and it may be, it is not the first time in history that a "collective unconscious" has made an appalling mistake, to be deeply regretted by the zombies acting under its spell when they wake to reality.

Tory MPs, and the cabinet, were dupes of a largely anti-Thatcher press, which biazened the recent opinion poll findings, and particularly of the BBC and ITV, where the prevailing ethos has long been against her. Mr Peter Kellner, a Labour supporter, wrote in The Independent last Friday: "the use of polls in Mrs Thatcher's downfall should cause some concern. Time may show that Tory MPs misread the evidence and that, far from sacking a vote-loser, they

have abandoned a vote-winner That is undoubtedly true. Mrs Thatcher scored her three great victories coming from far behind in the polls and finishing well ahead of her party in popularity, and high above all comers in the polling booths. An ascending curve had already started, and the same would have happened in the next election, when she would have faced a weak Mr Kinnock and an unconvincing Labour party. Now the outlook for the Tories is less bright.

Mr Major has admirable and attractive qualities, with the making of a fine prime minister. But. as Mr Kellner remarks, the Tories will possibly do worse at the next election "because Mrs Thatcher has proven campaign skills that Mr Major has yet to dem-onstrate". So far, the shock of Mrs Thatcher's shabby deposition has not fully percolated into voters' minds. When it does, there could be a strong backlash against the party responsible for removing the most innovative and successful prime minister since 1832 while in

Mrs Thatcher restored national pride by raising Britain's punching power, in world councils, considerably above its economic weight. Travellers abroad accustomed to a growing contempt for Britain found themselves envied for having so towering a leader Nowhere was this more true than in America. There the pervading mood not only grew more appreciative of Britain as America's most reliable ally but depended on

tial resolve when tackling Moscow over nuclear arms and other issues and in crises like Kuwait. Saddam Hussein may still not get away with it, but his chances will rise as President Bush, no longer bolstered by Mrs Thatcher, starts to look wobbly. Without her, Britain may soon descend to the rank of a minor power such as the Benelux countries, France or Italy. There will be no one of sufficient stature to cope with Germany's overbearing economic triumphalism. At home the will to

drive Britain into a brighter

economic future will be gone. No-one but Mrs Thatcher could have reformed the trade unions, often pushing employment min-isters into advances that fright-ened them and which they tried to stop or delay. Mrs Thatcher forced through the great privatisations. Her own party, swallowing Harold Macmillan's "selling the family silver" theme, thought this was impossible. Now the whole country sees she was right in halting the endless subsidies to inefficient nationalised industries and selling them for the benefit of taxpayers and shareholders. Without Mrs Thatcher, who dare privatise coal

or British Rail? Labour prates of elevating the arranged for women to cease being chattels of the husband and to be taxed separately. Labour never did. Against determined opposition she drastically cut the number of civil servants, and would have cut more. She overcame the doubters' resistance to council house sales and spread bome ownership to undreamed heights. The list of reforms she made in all fields - such as cutting the punitive top rates of income tax and encouraging new and leaner businesses — is immense. But the catalogue of what she still intended to do is unfinished. Without her vision and energy, it

is likely to remain so for 20 years. Mrs Thatcher made politics exciting by introducing new challenges and bringing Britain back to a belief in itself. But the forward march and the dramatic changes were too much for many, who clung to the genteel decline syndrome which involved no harsh effort, just a quiet, civilised consensus and an amiable drift downward. Already hints emanate from the new government that somehow she got it wrong, that the community charge (immeasurably fairer than the rates) must be abolished, that British interests in Europe are best defended by not defending them, and so on.

Mrs Thatcher will not stay silent if the tenets of Thatcherism are dismantled. Call it back-seat driving or what you like, but her voice will be heard loud and clear, and echoed by millions enthusiastic for her radical revolution. If the voice has to be critical, it will not be bitter or unsupportive of Mr Mrs Thatcher to stiffen presiden- Major. But the Tories will suffer.

...and moreover

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I have had the good fortune to be a member since 1973, and have therefore received hundreds of these exegetical supplements to The Book of VAT. I have not. of course, been permitted to see the Book itself, for it is kept, thrice locked and acolyte-girt, in that remote forest clearing to which Brigham Excise and his followers carried it after the death of Joseph Customs (Jons et origo of the Church of Latter-Day Taxmen), but I have been able to glean some notion of the holy text from these regular amendments. That it must be comprehensive of all that ever was since the beginning of the world is irrefutable: if the torrent of regulatory addenda can take account of such diverse minutiae as the importation of non-ferrous prostheses for ornamental (excluding clockwork) wallabies, and the exact status of purgative gherkins for ritual rings at which not fewer than nine of those present are full-time members of the armed forces, then it is obvious that the Book itself misses nothing. Its eye is on 115% of the

Are the leaflets useful? It is a question as irrelevant as it is improper. They are no more or less useful than the Book of Revelations. They are not there to be useful, but to awe and mystify. They are put together by theologians concerned not merely with the number of angels able to dance on the head of a pin, but with whether the dance may be construed as educational within the meaning liable to an impost of 15%.

In this latest leaflet, for example, we read that "cigarette

cards, which were formerly

zero-rated, have been standardrated since 1 September 1990". This to a world which had fully believed that cigarette cards had not been issued since Wally Hammond was No 39 in a series and Mickey Rooney was even shorter than he subsequently became. Nor was that the only window opened upon a world of which, without VAT Notes, we should know nothing; how many of you, for instance, realised that only the transport of passengers in a ship carrying not fewer than 12 persons was zero-rated? Does it not give a new poignancy to the cry of "Any more for the Skylark?" to appreciate that, should be dare to go round the bay with only 11 on board, the hapless skipper could well find himself clapped in Her Majesty's irons the moment his returning wellie touched the shingle?

Useful to skippers? You would have to ask a skipper, and stand out of the way. As with all holy writ, the stuff is patently there to make his life more complicated, in the hope that wrestling with its implications will be good for his soul. That is why I approach Verse 9 of the latest leaflet with due caution: there is a possibility that it is applicable to, among other tradesmen, purveyors of light prose to the carriage trade. but though one hand offers

hope, the other offers penalty. For Verse 9 states that "from August 1990, protective boots designed for non-industrial use are standard rated". The implications of this are obvious: it means that if the price of protective boots designed for non-industrial use now embraces a 15% levy, I can claim back that tax on any footwear designed to guard my feet against things falling on them while I am seated at the typewriter. This would knock nearly twelve quid off my new

calf Oxfords. Worth trying it on with the Customs & Excise scholars? Certainly. All one needs is a

Democracy defers to discipline

Mary Dejevsky in Moscow sees the hardline star in the ascendant, but cautions against writing off reforms

it was balanced within a handful of votes and eventually voted for Boris Yeltsin as president. Now it is weighted approximately 60:40 against the radicals.

The interior minister, Vadim

notoriety for suggesting that the

interior ministry troops, which

have been deployed in many

ethnic disputes, might become the responsibility of the individual

such a judgment is premature.

MrGorbachev is a politician of Bakatin, was the first significant victim of this change, and there the centre, a seeker after comwill be others. Mr Bakatin, as the promise. He does not spend hours of his precious time watching the proceedings of the Soviet parminister responsible for law and order, was particularly exposed. liament simply to make timely His reputation as a liberal allowed people to see him as soft on crime interventions. In recent weeks he has spent four full days there and on nationalist separatism. He plus visits to the Russian parwas also blamed for the failure to implement the presidential decree hament and a Moscow Communist party meeting - listening, gauging the mood. He appears to on disarming and outlawing unauthorised armed groups. Given the virtual guerrilla war being waged in parts of the Trans-caucasus, it could not be imhave concluded what others have done the mood has shifted signifi-cantly to what in Soviet political geography is called the right.

After a troubled summer and plemented, but Mr Bakatin is

with a hungry winter ahead, Soviet opinion wants the restoration of discipline more than it wants additional freedom and democracy. The shift is nowhere more striking than at the Russian Congress of People's Deputies. In May

n the day after Mikhail Gorbachev replaced his liberal-minded interior mi-

nister with a Communist party traditionalist and battle-hardened

general, nothing could be simpler than to talk of a retreat from

reform, or even its abandonment.

That assessment may yet prove justified. So far, however, the

grounds for gloom are few, and

proposal also had the merit of removing from its supervision an unpopular area of activity.

But the idea did not find favour with the predominantly conser-vative Soyuz (union) group of parliamentarians, who also blame Mr Bakatin for the appearance of Kalashnikov rifles in the hands of self-appointed customs officials in the Baltic states and for the centre's refusal, or inability, to halt the dismissal of ethnic Russian police chiefs in non-Russian areas. Mr Bakatin was the easiest of targets, his slightly numpled intellectual appearance and easy manner making him all the more unpopular in widely held to be guilty of neglect. those circles where discipline and In recent weeks, Bakatin gained

formality are prized. To see Mr Bakatin's removal exclusively as a blow to reform would, however, be premature. If anything has been clear since Mr Gorbachev promised a far-reaching reshuffle two weeks ago, it is

eyes, the proposal had the merit of giving the republics responsibility to keep their own houses in order. For the central ministry, the ticians in the business. Rather than surrender to pressure from conservatives, he may envisage a little horse-trading: a toughened interior ministry team, perhaps, in return for some more reformists on the economic side; the removal of Mr Bakatin, perhaps, in return for acquiescence in the appoint-ment of Eduard Shevardnadze, the liberal-minded foreign min-

ister, as his deputy president.
Until the reshuffle is complete. its meaning cannot be discerned. But nor can the precise political significance of the moves at the interior ministry. Certainly, the message being conveyed to the Soviet parliament and to the public is that the disciplinarians are moving in.

Again, the appointments of Boris Pugo, hitherto chairman of the Communist party's disciplinary body, the control commission, and General Boris Gromov, comregion, may not simply be moves to placate a demorahsed party and a restless army respectively. Mr Pugo is a long-standing Gorbachev ally. Whether this was an alliance of convenience or a convergence of minds is uncertain, but Mr Gorbachev manoeuvred hard to ensure Pugo's re-election to his party post at the Congress in July. Nor is Mr Pugo necessarily a "hardliner". Discipline and ideological orthodoxy are not the same

The significance of General Gromov's appointment is also as yet uncertain. He brings a strong personality, political ambition, a measure of popularity and an army uniform to the interior ministry. Whether he has been promoted or demoted, however, depends on what he is given to do. If he replaces Yuri Shatalin as commander of the interior ministry troops, his star has risen. If, however, his is an additional post, with special responsibility for combating crime, he has exchanged a promising military power base for one of the most difficult portfolios in the government — and Mr Gorbachev has neutralised another possible threat

Have the greens blossomed only to fade and wither?

The outcome of the German election is

a warning to

environmentalists everywhere to avoid cliquishness and

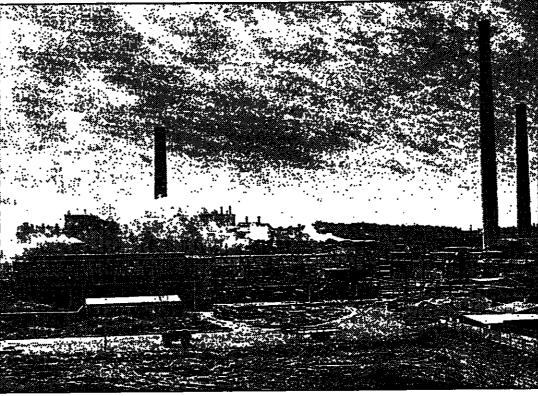
squabbling, writes Daniel Johnson

fter a decade as the biggest and certainly the most self-important political party in the European Green movement, nemesis has finally overtaken the German Greens. In the first federal election of the reunified German state on Sunday, the swashbuckling, hairy, dungaree-sporting, tieless and infuriatingly self-righteous Grünen failed to reach the 5 per cent threshold below which German parties languish in obscurity.

Only in the polluted wilderness of the new eastern provinces did ecology, civil rights, disarmament and other typically green issues still seem to voters to be matters of pressing concern. Yet even there, the Christians, pacifists and ecologists who played such an honourble part in the overthrow of the Honecker regime and gained a modest seven seats on Sunday were not members of die Grünen (they campaigned as "Alliance 90"). They had merely agreed an electoral pact with the older West German party, and did not share in its downfall.

Does the defeat of the German Greens signal the end, not merely of a very German dream of an unpolitical utopia, but also of the European movement of which die Granen were, in the words of Tom Burke, director of the Green Alliance in Britain, "the anchor"? Will Green politics survive the 1990s, as recession and refugees, the end of the cold war and revived nationalism apparently

eclipse the environment? The past is in this case a poor guide to the future, since the German Greens emerged at a specific moment in German history. At its inception in 1979, the new party was given a symbolic



Pollution, typified by Bitterfeld in eastern Germany, is now a matter of mainstream concern

the student radicals of the 1960s. The atmosphere was apocalyptic, and Dutschke was soon to die from the bullet which an assassin's gun had lodged in his brain years before. Ecology was only the lowest common denominator. Frustration with the limitations of a social democratic government and fear of a Nazi revival if the Christian Democratic right ever returned to power combined with deep hostility towards West Germany's parliamentary system, "Americanised" culture and com-

mitment to Nato. As the Schmidt government disintegrated in 1982-83, the Greens capitalised on the campaign against the deployment of cruise and Pershing missiles. Petra Kelly became a hemine of the left all over Europe. Her party leapt the 5 per cent burdle in the 1983 election, and in 1987 (still profiting from weak leadership in the SPD) reached a peak of 43 seats. In the state governments of Hesse and West Berlin, the party formed coalitions with the Social Democrats, and there was much talk of a

Berlin by Rudi Dutschke, hero of ional level. But when they were munist inte offered a research foundation on the model of those run by the three established parties, the Greens typically failed to agree on whether to accept it.

Decline had set in long before reunification dished the Greens once and for all. Though a few members of the party's moderate 'Realo" wing (such as Joschka Fischer and Otto Schily) became respected politicians, the maximalist "Fundi" wing always managed to spike their guns. Led by a feminist aristocrat, Jutta (von) Ditfurth, the Fundis drove people like Schilv to leave.

Having proclaimed themselves the representatives of future generations, the German Greens never consolidated their appeal for the youth of the present. They passed into history, their collective leadership squabbling amongst itself to the last.

How relevant is this experience likely to be to countries like Britain, where the Green party came to prominence only a decade after its German counterpart, at last year's European elections?

blessing at a mass meeting in West "Red-Green" government at nat- Like the socialist and comthe Greens have a powerful drive to transcend national boundaries. The ecological problems they address are rarely limited to single countries, and one of the lasting legacies of the German Greens will be the elevation of environmental activism to the notice of European

> Community institutions. No EC member state is now able to persist in environmental policies much out of step with its neighbours. Thanks to the initial impetus provided by the electoral success of an environmental party in a country as important as Germany, which focused diffuse public concern across the continent, bureaucratic mechanisms came into existence which gave momentum to the "greening" of

> industry and government.
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> But the practical effect of such internationalism has been limited by the amateurishness and cliquishness of many Green politicians. Lacking the collective discipline and solidarity of which both communists and fascists were sometimes capable, the European Green parties have

tal emotional sympathy which is achieved by non-party organ-

isations such as Greenpeace.

Tom Burke rejects the vulgar Marxist theory that politics and ideology are mere functions of the economic cycle, so he disputes the view that the end of the boom of the late 1980s spells doom for environmentalism. He believes that the Green parties have only ever been the impermanent and symbolic "surface layer" of a far more enduring shift in public mentality. "Green parties have always been more religious than political," he argues.

Mr Burke claims that, although there is a connection between affluence and interest in the environment, such concern may be non-political. He points out that membership of non-political environmental groups in Britain (some 5 million) is much larger than the maximum "Green vote" yet achieved here (2.3 million).

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The next phase of European history could see a potentially dangerous appropriation of the antimodern, utopian aspects of Green ideology by spokesmen of the new urban underclasses, which may be reinforced by mass immigration from the east. Yet in Germany Green and the most exposed to the economic and social disruption flowing from the east, the danger of Green totalitarianism now seems remote.

National Socialism likewise embraced a wide spectrum of anti-Western and anti-capitalist thought that was not specifically Hitlerian (think of Martin Heidegger), but that trauma may well have inoculated the country against messianic movements of all kinds. The aftermath of communism hardly seems a propitious time for new prophets to arise, even if there is a slump.

Yet green politics undoubtedly has an inherent tendency towards extremes: the absolute right of the individual to enjoy purity in everything, and to reject the modern world when it is impure. The German Greens will be seen by historians as the catalysts of a necessary change in European consciousness, but the absorption of the bulk of their following into the more conventional party system will be unlamented.

Key words that point to a move

s Michael Heseltine begins A to grapple with poli tax reform, one of the first changes he may have to make is in his ministerial and advisory lineup. One junior minister, David Heathcoat-Amory, has already moved to the Department of Energy, and environment department officials now expect a further switching of jobs within the department so that those who in the past have resolutely defended the tax will speak on less contentious areas of the DoE's many responsibilities.

After five years out of govern-

ment, Heseltine so far seems intent

on doing things largely on his own. Despite his debt to Keith

Hampson and Michael Mates, who managed his leadership challenge, be has not appointed a parliamentary private secretary. Nor has he recruited a special adviser to replace Patrick Rock, who joins Chris Patten at Central Office. Michael Portillo has serious difficulties, given his previous record, but most speculation surrounds the position of Robert Key, promoted to the ministerial ranks within the DoE, with special responsibility for the poll tax, when Patrick Nicholls resigned during the Tory conference in October. Heseltine is said to be closely examining the text of an interview with the Avon Advertiser during the leadership election in which Key said of Heseltine and John Major: "Neither of the candidates

have the qualities to deal with the

difficult economy at home, a

complicated situation in Europe,

or the crisis in the Gulf."

What will rouse Heseltine's ire even more is Key's repetition of the charge that Mrs Thatcher levelled at him: "Mr Heseltine is rather impetuous, as we have seen in the past, and a large number of my [Salisbury] constituents are unforgiving about him forcing Mrs Thatcher out." Key must hope Heseltine is more forgiving.

• Apart from John Major, what other members of the great and the good went to Rutlish grammar school, Wimbledon? Not many, it seems. The only notable contemporaries of the new prime minister who have so far come to light are an unlikely pair: the founder of the Happy Eater chain of fast-food restaurants and Gerry Cottle of big top fame. Strangely, the old boy whose father did a circus act has ended up running the country. The old boy who now runs a circus came from a family of stockbrokers. The classless society?

Olivier unveiled

ord Olivier's family - four of whom are involved in a new production of Time and The Conways opening at the Old Vic tomorrow - has finally agreed to authorise an Olivier biography. Son Richard, who is directing his mother, Joan Plowright, and sisters Tamsin and Julie-Kate in the Priestley revival, says that Plowright has agreed to make available to a suitable biographer all of Olivier's private diaries, letters and annotated scripts. "Dad never kent an intimate diary but we have all his appoint-

ment diaries and other papers in storage," he says. "It could be a

few years before we see the book.

My mother also intends to write

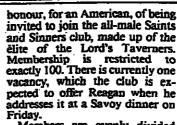
The family has taken a long time to agree to an authorised biography. After Lord Olivier died 18 months ago a number of writers sought permission to start work on a book, but all were rebuffed. No one has yet been chosen, but competition is bound to be intense. Meanwhile Richard, who is 29.

insists that family tensions have been remarkably absent from rehearsals for tomorrow night's opening in what he says was always his father's favourite the-"We have a wonderful atre. We have a wonderrun shorthand and can be honest and frank with each other," he says. "As for my mother, I have been pleasantly surprised. She does exactly what she's told."

Evil umpire?

uring his visit to Britain starting today, Ronald Reagan will be disappointed not to take tea, as planned, with Mrs Thatcher at Number Ten. Nor will be brave the south London traffic to visit her at Dulwich. Instead, on Thursday, Mrs Thatcher will call on Reagan at his suite at Claridges to discuss the good old days.

His disappointment may at least be offset by the unusual



Members are evenly divided between 50 saints and 50 sinners. So which is Reagan? As far as the Lord's Taverners are concerned. anyone who believes a bowler is a pitcher and thinks that cover point is more properly called first base can surely only be a sinner.



Biggest handicap

rish women's rights campaign. ers, delighted by the inaugu-ration in Dublin yesterday of Mary Robinson as the country's first woman president, are less pleased that she has been denied a privilege granted her predecessor, Dr Paddy Hillery.

When first elected in 1976, Hillery – who reputedly had the lowest golf handicap of any world leader - was immediately offered honorary membership of Port-

marnock, Ireland's most exclusive golf club. Explaining its failure to do the same for Mrs Robinson, the club says that Hillery was a member before he became president, and that the rules have no provision for granting honorary membership to non-members. Most clubs have a

similar policy, it claims. The explanation cuts little ice with the equal rights lobby, which considers that Mrs Robinson and, by implication, all Irish women - have been slighted. With Mrs Robinson's support, Monica Barnes of the Dail women's affairs committee, has written to every golf club in Ireland demanding equal membership rights. Portmarnock, meanwhile, says the new president is welcome to a round whenever she wants, but only as a guest.

Record tribute

ondon managed to pay a 90th birthday tribute to Aaron Copland shortly before his death only because of the last-minute intervention of The Times Diary. With no sponsor in sight, the City of London Chamber Orchestra was on the brink of cancelling a series of concerts in his honour planned for St John's, Smith Square, in September. The orchestra contacted The Times, and a short piece here produced the desired result a £7,500 donation from an anonymous New York law firm.

The orchestra invited Copland to the concerts but his failing health kept him at home in New York. Instead, tapes were sent to him which, the orchestra hopes, offered him moments of pleasure

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ELECTING CITY MAYORS

The reform of the constitutional landscape of England and Wales is back on the agenda. forced there by the fiasco of the poll tax. Attention is once again focused on the government of the cities. Michael Heseltine, already signalling his radicalism as environment secretary, is pondering the restoration of county borough status to large towns and cities. He and a number of ministers are also in favour of elected mayors, to reduce party domination of local councils, increase public participation in elections and raise the profile of local government generally. Turnouts in those democracies, such as France and the United States, which have elected mayors, are roughly double those in most British cities.

Ever since the great municipal innovations of the 19th century, the reform of local govern-ment has been bedevilled by party politics. The sequence of research, enquiry and shambolic decision initiated by the Redcliffe-Maud commission in 1969 led four years later to the submerging of supposedly left-wing cities in their surrounding, supposedly Tory, county areas. The new "metropolitan counties" created round Liverpool, Manchester, Sheffield, Birmingham and others were abolished in 1986. But other cuckoos remained in the nest, including the unloved pseudo-counties such as Avon and Humberside and county

"districts" the size of Cardiff and Portsmouth. Until recently, Tory radicals were plotting the dismantling of the entire county structure and devolving all sub-Whitehall government to the 369 district councils. So drastic a break with historical loyalties would have been even more unpopular than Peter Walker's 1970s reforms. Sanity may have returned with Mr Heseltine's arrival at the environment department. There is no point in a unit of local government which does not correspond to the local electorate's sense of geographical identity. Big or small, cities are cities and counties are counties, and if diverse sizes mean a diversity of service quality, so be it. The biggest cities were given back full county borough powers in 1986 and the case is now strong for doing the same to towns above, say, 200,000 population.

If that means the end of Avon and Humberside - and even the return of Rutland

and the East Riding - so much the better. Reform, however, cannot rest there. The reason for the partial collapse of urban government in the 1970s was the seizure of its out-dated constitutional structure by corrupt political groups, some in the pocket of property developers, some in that of public sector unions. If cities are to get back full responsibility for planning, education and transport, two conditions must be satisfied.

The first is that a system of local finance must be in place that clearly relates spending to local taxation, perhaps as Ralf Dahrendorf suggests in a letter on this page, with some discretion as to how. The successor to the poll tax, which should be based on property value and should embrace businesses, must be seen to be levied on all householders, tenants as well as owner occupiers and landlords. Councils should be compelled to publicise their annual rate increase or decrease, and specific capital projects should be subject to local referendum,

as in America. The second condition is that the hold of political parties over local council membership should be weakened. Elected mayors would not end such a hold, but would personalise elections, increase public awareness and offer a chance to outsiders to enter the field. Such outsiders might not win, but might sufficiently joht the existing parties to reduce their

tendency to cronyism and extremism. The mechanism by which mayors would exert authority would need, and should get, further study. They might operate outside the existing structure of executive council committees, being largely ceremonial but with small budgets. Or they could enjoy full tax-raising and executive functions, with council committees having only advisory status. Given the restricted discretion left to local councils nowadays, there seems little reason not to go the latter route, to plenipotentiary mayors subject only to the need to get the annual rate

through their councils. Either way, the demoralised legions of local government throughout the United Kingdom are urgently in need of a vote of confidence from central government. Mr Heseltine's ideas merit wide discussion followed by swift action.

FIVE MINUTES TO MIDNIGHT

Trade ministers from 107 countries have until Friday to save the world's trading system from disintegration. Yesterday they began the final session of the Uruguay round of trade talks with protectionist farmers baying at the doors. So likely is collapse that Brussels talk is of stopping the clocks until after the new year. Such diplomatic legerdemain would be downright irresponsible. Agreement is urgent.

The United States appears to be heading for a recession. Economic stagnation, there and where, will increase protectionist pro Yet a deal would provide a trade stimulus to the world economy. Carla Hills, the US trade representative, calculates that agreement could add \$4,000 billion to global output over the next ten years.

The world is accustomed to trade talks which drag on, to false ultimata and artificial deadlines. This time, however, delay really could mean disaster. The negotiations are so complex that without political decisions to remove the main obstacles to agreement this week there will simply not be time to produce final texts by March 1. On that date, the fast track" authority granted to the American government by the US Congress, which commits congress to accept or reject the deal without amendment, expires. There is no prospect that it will be renewed.

Instead of criticising American legislators for holding the world to ransom, free traders should bless them. The authority of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt) is threatened by the proliferation of non-tariff barriers such as "voluntary" export restraint agreements, the growth of regional trading blocs and bilateral deals. Moreover, Gatt rules exclude whole sectors, such as agriculture and services. Agreement would remedy that, equipping Gatt for the modern world.

The traditional free-traders, the United States and Western Europe, are to blame for today's deadlock. They are quarrelling over two key sectors, trade in agriculture and in services. As a result, the industrialised nations are welshing on their pledge, at the Houston summit last year, to make the Uruguay round the highest priority on the international economic agenda".

The European Community has pooled its sovereignty in these talks, agreeing to let the European Commission negotiate on behalf of the Twelve - with disastrous results so far. The commission's hands have been tied by French and German refusal to accept radical cuts in farm subsidies for fear of dismantling the Common Agricultural Policy. The EC offer falls absurdly short of other countries' demands. The EC argues that the principle is revolutionary step by agreeing to subject the market-rigging games of the CAP to international scrutiny. But principles butter no parsnips. On any assessment, the size of the EC's offer is not enough.

Unless it does better, the round will collapse. The responsibility for breaking this deadlock lies with Chancellor Helmut Kohl. His determination to keep the farm vote in Sunday's elections lay behind the Franco-German axis blocking a realistic deal.

But the Americans could set a virtuous circle going by making concessions of their own. The American commitment to free trade has been suspect since Congress added "crowbar" clauses to American trade legislation in 1988. Under these, the US may impose sanctions against governments which it labels "protectionist". Its attitude to the Uruguay round, constructive in agriculture, has moreover been much less so when it comes to services. Here, America has kowtowed to its civil aviation, shipping and telecommunications lobbies. Washington now says that in these sectors, it will not accept the Gatt obligation not to discriminate between trading partners.

Once a deal had been done on these two issues, overall agreement would not be far away. With the trade ministers bogged down, heads of government must step in. And here, Britain's "mid-Atlantic" stance, often criticised within the EC, places it in a powerful position to press for a creative compromise. John Major should grab this heaven-sent opportunity to establish himself on the international stage.

HOLY SMOKE

Edward VI ordered Holy Island to be fortified against maraviding Scots, hence its romantic 16th-century astle. Stone walls, unfortunately, are not stoy enough to keep out marauding English buy bodies. Holy Island, otherwise known as I adisfarne, may be about to lose its volunteer/ ire brigade because the county council by eaucrats say so. But not if human

nature ha its way. At hig/ tide the island's mile-long causeway is cover 1 by the sea. The county council has apparer sy not considered a regulation forbidding it tide to come in, but its alternatives defy q mmon sense hardly less. When the cause, ay is under water, professional firemen will / a flown in by RAF or some other heliq pter, at low tide they will drive the 15 from Berwick, the nearest Northumbertown. No doubt they will arrive by thlessly training streamers of red tape.

/Holy Island's eight amateur fire fighters have their own fire engine and have put out 11 fires in the last five years. Such are the penalties for trying to be helpful, they have been told to disband because they are not trained to the standards required by the new Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations. The county council's decision is as silly as forbidding first-aiders to attend sprained ankles because they lack degrees in

Presumably anyone who so much as reaches of water to douse a smoundering catch each other's eye, and wink.

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ancient prison. Local pride being what it is, the island people are fighting to save their fire brigade. Their main hope is that enough volunteers can be found to undergo the extra training necessary to satisfy the regulations. This submission to the letter of the law does them credit. But if these tactics fail there is still an alternative.

Lindisfarme, with its famous ruined priory, knows about monks and monasteries, having been home for many a saint and hermit. Its people need to remember the story of the monk who liked his pipe. He asked his prior if it was acceptable for him to smoke while he said his prayers. The prior was appalled at his irreverence. The holy man prayed for inspiration, and the answer came. He duly went to the abbot and asked: was he allowed to say a prayer while he smoked? The abbot congratulated

him on his piety. If all else fails, let Northumberland county council make such arrangements as it thinks fit. Let the local firemen stand down, and the helicopters take over. Then after a decent interval - and perhaps a few incinerated residences - a local worthy might step forward with a novel suggestion. Why not let the island people organise a "voluntary fire-lighting" service, to tackle such fires as are within their capacity? What an obvious idea, the county councillors will say, what an admirable public spirit! What a saving to the rates (which will be

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

meantime. I suggest that the old

estate duty office's method could

Each occupier would estimate his own valuation of his property

and the rates percentage would be

calculated on that. In due course,

the rating authority officials would

decide the value, and the amount

of rates paid in the previous years

would be adjusted. Under-pay-

ments would be registered as a

charge on the property, with in-

terest thereon not tax-deductible.

Over-payments would be re-funded, plus interest also free of

tax. Few people would delib-

erately undervalue. Many might

welcome the tax-free interest

Perhaps I should declare an

interest. Before the introduction

earned by an overvalue.

Yours truly, SIDNEY Z. MANCHES,

Prince Albert Road, NW8.

From Mr David Kemp, QC

Sir, Since the cost of local services

depends on the number of persons

in a house rather than on the size

or quality of the house itself. I

suggest that the rate payable by the

rateable occupier should contain a

second element based upon the

number of adult persons living in the house. A detailed enquiry such-

as you propose (leading article,

November 28) could decide how

that element is to be determined and whether a statutory ceiling

A change of this nature would

be difficult to introduce before the

next general election. In the

meantime, temporary financial adjustments can be made to meet

obvious hardship or injustice. The

commitment to a radical change

of this nature would be attractive

to the electorate and would, as you

say, demonstrate that Mr Major

was not the prisoner of previous

policies.

Yours faithfully, DAVID KEMP,

November 28.

Gray's Inn. WC1.

local government.

charge itself.

Yours faithfully

24 Pampas Close,

Colchester, Essex.

November 29.

DOUGLAS J. McBEAN,

4 Raymond Buildings,

From Mr Douglas J. McBean

sionately in favour of the con

Sir, I was one of those who

campaigned in local government

elections last May, arguing pas-

nity charge, in which I firmly

what is at issue here - it is surely

fair that everyone who utilises the

services provided by local govern-

the cost. No, what is at issue is the

effectiveness and productivity of

The government has for 1991-2

enerously increased local coun-

cils' standard spending assess-ments. Local councillors should

take great care to ensure that

within these spending targets they

provide a cost-effective service. If not, Mr Heseltine should tackle

that problem, not the community

Sir, The reference in Sally

The community charge is not

should be imposed on it.

63 North Gate,

November 28.

solve this problem.

Fresh thoughts on the poll tax

From the Warden of St Antony's College, Oxford

Sir, In his useful survey of "poll tax solutions" (report, December 1). Mr Tony Travers lists seven possibilities but leaves out one option which seems the most obvious to anyone who knows what happens elsewhere in the world: why does central government have to determine how local government raises its revenues?

Would it not be more appropriate to leave it to local authorities to determine the desirable and acceptable mix of community charges with property taxes and other sources? Moreover, would not such power in the hands of local authorities help devolve power ("subsidiarity") while in-

creasing genuine accountability? Might it not even lead, after unavoidable initial blips, to a "market" answer to the vexing question of local government finance in that authorities would discover by (perhaps painful) experience the most plausible revenue mix?

Yours sincerely RALF DAHRENDORF. St Antony's College,

Oxford. December 1.

From Mr D. R. Heginbotham Sir, I suspect that this administration will deal with collecting the community charge against the determined opposition of non-payers not only by extending the categories of those persons exempt from the tax (excluding, for example, student nurses) but also by forgiving the liability of those hard-nosed individuals who have failed to pay up this year. The result will be a higher level of charge for those of us who have

readily paid, to make up this year's

There are precedents for this kind of generous treatment for non-payers already set by the post-1979 Conservative administration. Thus, for example, in 1982 the Inland Revenue, at the government's behest, "forgave" millions of pounds of unpaid income tax due from print-industry casual workers, provided they agreed to pay tax in the future.

Probably the worst fraud of all committed by the Conservative government was the virtual "gifting" of council-owned hous-ing to their sitting tenants — housing which had been largely paid for by those of us who, by careful saving and budgeting, had bought our own housing and had for years been mulcted in exorbitant domestic rates.

We thought we were paying towards the housing stock for the generations, not to provide taxfree capital gains for the profligate. Yours faithfully, D. R. HEGINBOTHAM,

The Millstone, 11 Mill Race, Stanstead Abbotts, Ware. Hertfordshire. November 28.

From Mr Sidney Z. Manches Sir, The main objection to returning to the old rating system, but based on the market value of properties instead of their hypothetical rental value, is the huge task of valuing millions of properties, the many years it would take, and how to phase it in in the

Greenhaleh

following day.

Yours faithfully, J. F. D. GREENHALGH,

University of Aberdeen,

School of Agriculture,

Driving alone

From Mr Ian MacKenzie

Sir, For £215 a woman driving

alone (or with children) could

install a car telephone with which

to summon help in the event of a

A small price to pay for safety -

but she must then pay £300 a year

to use it. The £25 monthly charge

is, no doubt, largely due to the

Is it not time that a safety car

phone, operating on one single

wavelength to the 999 operator,

was introduced, thereby eliminat-

ing or, at least, greatly reducing the

Letters to the editor should carry a

daytime telephone number. They

limit of wavelengths available for

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breakdown.

personal lines.

annual charge?

Yours faithfully.

November 30.

IAN MacKENZIE,

Polhill, Harrietsham,

Nr Maidstone, Kent.

Flight security Adoption from abroad From Professor J. F. D. From Mr N. J. T. Butler

Brompton's article, "How far can we go to adopt?" (Life and Times, Sir, Dr J. A. Jarvis's experience (November 29) of Air France flying baggage without its owner is somewhat similar to my own I arrived in Paris from Nigeria on November 7) to Hampshire's policy on inter-country adoption was out of date and does not July 5 to be met by the chaos induced by the French air traffic-controllers' strike. My baggage reflect current practice. Recognising that an increasing number of couples want to adopt was put on an Air France flight to children from overseas, we have

London, but when I attempted to set up services which will protect check in for the flight I was refused both a seat and the return of my the children's interests, and give prospective adopters information and advice on all aspects of inter-As I had no prospect of flying to London that day I had to travel by country adoption. Home study reports are done at an early stage train and hovercraft, eventually by specialist social workers who catching up with my baggage the also liaise with the Department of Health.

Air France claim that "no risk of Moreover, Hampshire Social any kind was involved" as the Services are also involved actively haggage had passed a security check in Nigeria and was in in trying to help children in Romania. Three members of staff transit. Recent events suggest that are currently part of a multidisciplinary team working in baggage handled in this way and flying unaccompanied may not be Ungarani with children "written off" by the Ceausescu regime. The team is helping the Romanians improve assessment techniques and provide treatment, stimula-

tion and rehabilitation for the children. Yours sincerely TERRY BUTLER (Director of Social Services), Hampshire County Council,

The Castle, Winchester, Hampshire.

Notwithstanding

November 22.

From Mr R. T. Oerton Sir, Your leading article (November 30) about lawyers' "gobblede-

gook" is both right and wrong. Yes, it is desirable and (nearly always) possible to avoid antiquated phraseology and to draft in language which is (or at least seems) comprehensible to nonlawyers. The lawyers' organisation Clarity is dedicated to the use of plain English in legal writing. But one has to distinguish

between complexity which is avoidable and complexity which serves only to reflect the complexity of the law which, in its turn, serves only to reflect the complexity of late 20th-century civilisation. To blame the legal draftsman

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Putting a price on opera stars

From Mr Michael D. Varcoe-Cocks Sir, I hope that the Royal Opera House's figures in John Higgins's article (Saturday Review, November 17) on the costs of mounting the recent new production of Attila the Hun will help show that opera in a 2,000-seater house is not only labour-intensive but actually modestly cost-effective.

It is, however, amazing that an organisation which relies for its continued existence on a large, if insufficient and ungenerous, subsidy from taxpayers can stead-fastly refuse to publish details of fees paid to the stars (singers, conductors, producers) who, in the case of Attila, account for 26 per cent of the budget but less than per cent of the people involved.

The secret mystique which surof the charge, my rates were just under £3,000 per annum. My poll rounds opera-singers' fees serves only to feed already over-inflated tax this year was approximately one-seventh of that. egos and is inappropriate where public money is, and public accountability ought to be, involved. Most operagoers would feel Pavarotti is worth many times his rumoured nightly fee of £10,000, but how many mediocre singers have their fees bolstered and protected by the fact that their public have no idea how much they earn?

These figures, drawn from the Attile article, shows an interesting range of average individual earn-

C % 3 15 41 23 18 2,578 328 143 134 32 Sets/costumes Other artists Production 10 pay per night per cent of costs per cent of numbers

Although the "stars" can perform only two or three times a week, their income is boosted by recordings, promotions, advertising, etc. Yours faithfully, M. D. VARCOE-COCKS,

5 Brackenbury Road, W6. November 26.

From Mr Ewen Balfour Sir, Kenneth Warren's criticism of the cost of Covent Garden's production of Attila the Hun (letter, November 28) is an argument not for cheaper opera, but for none. Opera is always expensive and is always subsidised one way or another. The Royal Opera House receives half the subsidy

per performance of any publicly funded opera bouse in Europe. Opera gets only 45 per cent of the total Arts Council grant, the other 55 per cent goes to the two Royal Ballet companies. Between them the three companies give 450 performances a year, at Covent Garden, throughout the UK, and overseas. Every independent en-quiry into our affairs has confirmed our cost-efficiency.

The Royal Opera House now receives only 8.7 per cent of the total Treasury grant to the Arts Council, compared with 12.1 per cent in 1984-5. And subsidy over the same period has declined from 55 per cent of our income to about 35 per cent. If opera and ballet of nternational stature are to survive at Covent Garden - and it is in London's and the nation's interest that they should - these facts need to be understood, and these trends reversed.

Yours, EWEN BALFOUR (Director of Public Affairs), Royal Opera House. Covent Garden, WC2. November 29.

Middle East issues From Mr John V. Whitbeck

Sir, George Bush has apparently premised his latest military build-up in the Gulf and his current UN strategy (report, November 26) on the belief that Saddam Hussein will withdraw from Kuwait only if he is convinced that the United States has both the will and the means to launch a military offensive and that war is inevitable if he does not withdraw. Simple psychology suggests that this premise is almost certainly wrong.

Defending one's country against massive American attack, even that defence is ultimately doomed to failure, offers prospects of honour and glory. Presiding over the economic strangulation of one's country and the impoverishment of one's people offers neither.

George Bush should not be trying to convince Saddam Hussein of his eagerness to fight a major war on top of the world's oilfields but rather that the embargo, blockade and pariah status of Iraq will be maintained for however long it takes Saddam, or his successor, to comply with the relevant UN resolutions. This would be a far easier task, since steadfastness, unlike war, would entail no pain or risks for America. As both a more credible position and one less appealing to Saddam, it would also be more likely to achieve withdrawal.

War is not inevitable. Steadfastness, patience and wisdom are not inevitable either, but they are precisely what the situation calls

Very truly yours, JOHN V. WHITBECK, 150 rue de l'Université, 75007 Paris, France. November 26.

From Mr S. Blair Southerden Sir, Brigadier Cordingley has sought to warn the British public of the potential casualties which

Frederick's burial

From Dr Michael Hughes Sir, You report (November 19) plans to rebury the body of Frederick the Great of Prussia at Potsdam. In fact he lay buried, with other Prussian monarchs, in the garrison church at Potsdam until a few years ago. When the East German authorities demolished the church, a famous symbol of Prussian militarism, Frederick's body was taken secretly to Sigmaringen, capital of a former Prus-

sian territory in south Germany. I am told that he is shortly to be reburied in the grounds of his favourite home, Sansouci palace, which is where he wanted to be buried in the first place. The event should be watched with interest as it might spark off a revival of Prussian nationalism. Yours faithfully,

MICHAEL HUGHES. Larne, North Road, Aberystwyth, Dyfed. November 19.

I draft a large number of wills. Clients like them short and simple and so do I. I spend hours trying to refine my forms in the interests of both brevity and clarity. Yet the will which I find myself producing for any moderately wealthy client runs to many pages - most of them produced, as you say, on the word processor.

Much of this verbiage is dictated by our almost infinitely illogical and complicated tax system, and there is, in my view, not a word of it which is not worth having Am I really "trying to make work for other lawyers and to keep laymen in the dark"? Clients probably think so.

Yours faithfully R. T. OERTON 84 Burghley Road, NW5.

will occur from a war in the Gulf (report, November 30). What assessment is the government making on potential casualties outside the Iraq-Kuwaiti borders, should the Iraqis resort to nuclear or chemical terrorism in the rest of the world?

I fear the possible consequences of military conflict have not been thought through. Yours faithfully,

S. BLAIR SOUTHERDEN, 160 Downs Road, South Wonston. Winchester, Hampshire. November 30.

From Colonel Robert Wilson RAMC (retd) Sir, I share Colonel Hector's worries (November 19) about the

adequacy of medical support dur-ing the present Middle East crisis. However, I take issue with his have "never before" been closed down at the approach of largescale war. I was serving at the Cambridge Military Hospital in 1956, at the time of the Suez crisis, when the commanding officer called us together on a Sunday morning to outline the plan for the hospital. By the middle of that afternoon, the number of patients had been reduced from over 500 to less than 100, by early discharge, or transfer to other units. We were then prepared to accept casualties from the battle zone. which in the event did not occur. There were few manpower problems in those days of National

One can only speculate, with some regret, how different the scenario might have been had our American cousins then supported us with the energy and enthusiasm we do them today.

Yours faithfully, ROBERT WILSON, Little Highclere, Higher Warberry Road, Torquay, Devon. November 19.

Plastics menace

From Mr J. R. H. Sale Sir, "Biodegradable" plastics sound an elegant solution to the problem of baling silage. However, I must point out to Mr Roddy Sale (November 16) that plastic films are normally gas or oil-sourced: that the manufacturing process consumes energy; and that plastic films are all

Even if the films were fully degradable, is Mr Sale suggesting that we should throw away this valuable source of raw material and the locked-in energy, leaving the problem of vanishing resources to future generations?

Our group, British Polythene Industries, in conjunction with the National Farmers' Union, has recently launched a national scheme for the free collection of polythene films from farmers. If a "degradable" film is included, our capacity to recycle will be reduced.

Yours sincerely, J. R. H. SALE (Group external sales manager), British Visqueen Limited, Yarm Road, Stockton-on-Tees, Cleveland.

Under the net? From Mr James Slater

Sir, I was most alarmed to observe (caption, December 3) that the French government was represented at the Channel tunnel breakthrough celebrations by M Mellink, its minister of fisheries. Do the French know something about the construction which we should be told? Yours faithfully, JAMES SLATER 38 Heol-y-Delyn, Lisvane, Cardiff.



COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE December 3: The Queen this evening attended a reception given by the Imperial Society of Knights Bachelor at St James's Palace and was received by Colonel Sir Colin Cole (Knight

The Lady Elton, the Right Hon Sir Robert Fellowes and Wing Commander David Walker RAF were in

BUCKINGHAM PALACE December 3: The Prince Edward this evening attended a recep-tion hosted by the London Ballet Circle at the Martini Terrace, New Zealand House, to celebrate Dame Alicia Markova's 80th birthday. Lieutenant Colonel Sean O'Dwyer was in attendance. KENSINGTON PALACE December 3: The Prince of Wales, Patron, Cancer Relief Macmillan Fund's 80th Anniversary Campaign, attended a dinner hosted by the Right Hop the Lord Manager 1

Right Hon the Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress, in aid of the Campaign, at the Mansion House, London EC4.

Today's royal

engagements The Queen will hold an investi-ture at Buckingham Palace at 11.00; and will entertain the President of Gambia and Lady Jawara at luncheon at 1.00. The Prince of Wales, as President of Business in the Community, will attend a conference at Brathay Hall Trust, Ambleside, at 11.00; will visit Threlkeld Quarry workshops at 2.25: and as Patron of Schizophrenia, A National Emergency, and accompanied by the Princess of Wales, will attend the Diamond ball at the Royal Lancaster Hotel at 8.00.

The Princess of Wales will visit the Foundation for Conductive Education at Bell Hill, North-field, at 11-10; as Patron of the British Lung Foundation, will visit the immuno-biochemical research laboratory at Birmingham General Hospital at 12.20; and will visit the Birmingham Royal Ballet Company at the Birmingham Hippodrome at 1.10.

The Princess Royal, as Chancellor of London University, will visit the Lillian Penso Hall, Talbot Square, W2, at 2.30 to mark its 25th anniversary as an intercollegiate hall of residence; and, as President of the Save the Children Fund, will attend the Festival of Trees dinner at the Victoria and Albert Museum at 7.30. The Duke of Gloucester will attend the Scientific Exploration

Society dinner at London Zoo at The Duke of Kent, as Patron of the London Philharmonic Orchestra, will attend a concert at the Festival Hall at 7.20. The Duchess of Kent, as Patron of the 'Not Forgotten' Associ-ation, will attend the Christmas party at the Royal Riding School, Buckingham Palace, at

Major-General Sir Chris topher Airy was in amendance. The Princess of Wales at-tended the launch of "Positively Women" at 5 Sebastian Street London ECI, to mark World

Her Royal Highness opene the Orangerie Italiana 1990 Exhibition of Italian Art and Antiques at the Accademia Italiana, 24 Rutland Gate, SW7. Mrs Max Pike and Mr Patrick Jephson were in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE December 3: The Duke of Gloucester, Grand Prior, the Order of St John, this morning opened First Aid Posts at Tottenham Hotspur Football Ground, High Road, Totten-ham, London N17, and Arsenal Football Ground, Avenall Road, Highbury, London N5.

In the afternoon, His Royal Highness visited St John Ambulance Headquarters, London (Prince of Wales's) District, at Edwina Mountbatten House, 63 York Street, London W1.

Major Nicholas Barne was in

Birthdays today

The Marchioness of Anglese 66; Lieutenant-Colonel Sir S mon Bland, royal equerry, 67; Mrs Ann Christopher, sculptor, Mrs Ann Christopher, sculptor, 43; Mr Ronnie Corbett, com-edian, 60; Mr Hywel Davies, jockey, 34; Judge Head. 67; Miss Gemma Jones, actress, 48; Mrs Pamela W. Matthews, former principal, Westfield College, 76; Mr Richard Meade, three-day eventer, 52; Mr W.N. Menzies-Wilson. former chairman. Wilson, former chairman, Ocean Transport and Trading, 64; Miss Yvonne Minton, mezzo-soprano, 47; Professor Lord Morris of Castle Morris, 60; the Earl of Roden, 81; Dr A.L. Rowse, historian, 87; Miss Pamela Stephenson, com-edienne, 40; the Rev C.J.M. Weir, former professor of He-

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: John Cotton, Puritan clergyman, the "Patriarch of New England", Derby, 1585; Thomas Carlyle, essayist and historian, Ecclefechan, Dumfriesshire, 1795; Samuel Butler, author of *The Way of All Flesh*, Langar Rectory, Nottinghamshire, 1835; Edith Cavell, nurse, Swardeston, Norfolk, 1865; Rainer Maria Rilke, poet, Prague, 1875; Sir Herbert Read, poet and critic Kirbymoorside, Yorks, 1893. DEATHS: Armand Jean, Duc de Richelieu, cardinal and statesman, Paris, 1642; Thomas Hobbes, philosopher, Hardwick Hall, Derbyshire, 1679, John Gay, poet, London 1732; Luigi Galvani, physician and physicist, Bologna, 1798; Robert Banks Jenkinson, Second Earl of Liverpool, prime minister 1812-27, London 1828; Stefan George, poet, Minusic, Switzer land. 1933; Thomas Morgan, biologist, Nobel laureate 1933, Pasadena, California, 1945; Benjamin Britten, Baron Britten, composer, Aldeburgh, 1976.

OBITUARIES

Agron Copland, American composer and conductor, died in hospital in Westchester County, New York, on December 2, aged 90. He was born in Brooklyn on November 14, 1900.

AARON Copland was perhaps the most influential American composer of the 20th century. His death. after a long period of decline and two strokes, comes just seven weeks after that of Leonard Bernstein. To a considerable extent these two figures were responsible for the phenomenal growth of classical music appreciation in the United States after 1940. They were both brilliant Jewish musicians who won serious critical acclaim at home and abroad. They were also born communicators who shared a rare talent for popularising music.

Early in his career, at least, Bernstein regarded Copland, both spiritually and musically, as a father figure. Moreover, the symphonic style now recognised as "American" was more or less defined by Copland's tuneful scores of the 1930s and 1940s, and by Bernstein's dance music for West Side Story. In that sense they were twin musical giants. America has yet to find successors of

Copland took avant-garde European styles and gave them a distinctive American accent. Later, his exuberant ballet scores won the appreciation of millions, especially in his native America. By example and by determined campaigning he raised the status of the serious composer in America to that of a recognised profession. By conducting overseas he gained worldwide respect for the music of his

similar stature.

His success was based on meticulous craftsmanship, on a keen awareness of what was needed by a new musical public emerging in America, and on his unusual ability to change his own style radically to suit new objectives. That was particularly evident in the 1930s when, influenced by the social service ideals of the New Deal era, he renounced the tough, dissonant style which had reached a peak in his 1930 masterpiece, Piano Variations. instead, he strove for a new

populist simplicity, underpinned by extensive use of folk music, and succeeded brilliantly with the series of works on which his widespread fame now rests. A visit to Mexico in 1932 inspired El Salón México. which cloaked authentic Mexican tunes in dazzling orchestrations. For Ballet Caravan he composed the 1938 "ballet-western", Billy The Kid, using cowboy songs. Similar quintessentially American sounds and scenarios were explored in the AARON COPLAND



ballets Rodeo (in 1942, for Agnes de Mille), and Appalachian Spring (1944, for Martha Graham). The latter, scored originally for 13 instruments, memorably included a set of variations on the old Shaker hymn "Simple Gifts"

It is a tribute to Copland's genius that he became the authentic voice of the great American outdoors when his family background was Polish-Lithuanian Jewish, and his own preferred environment the sophisticated artistic circles of New York and Boston. But he realised that the wide-open spaces of the prairie (which he captured in music of trance-like stillness, as well as in folky dance tunes) could stand as a metaphor for the loneliness of the big city. This, and his use of old American hymns to point up new America's lost spirituality, gave Appalachian Spring an emotional power far in excess of its subjectmatter. It was the work he chose to end his conducting career in 1983.

Copland's overtly accessible style also embraced the Clarinet Concerto, written in 1948 for Benny Goodman, and Lincoln Portrait for narrator and orchestra, which set spoken extracts from Lincoln's speeches and letters against tunes from the civil war period. Mocked by highbrow critics, it nevertheless received hundreds of performances. many with distinguished narrators, among them Adlai Stevenson.

His eight film scores set new standards of musico-dramatic effectiveness for Hollywood. Copland was careful to accept commissions only for high-quality films. The Heiress, which won him an Oscar, was based on Henry James, Our Town on Thornton Wilder and Of Mice And Men on Steinbeck. Copland's underscoring of set pieces, such as the fight between the boy and the eagle in The Red Pony, became much imitated classics of film-score composition.

Aaron Copland was the fifth child of parents who had emigrated to America 20 years earlier and had built up a successful department store in Brooklyn. As a boy Copland took piano lessons, attended orchestral concerts, and studied harmony and counterpoint with Rubin Goldmark (who later taught George Gershwin). He wrote a fragment of a song for his mother when he was

VLADIMIR DEDIJER

eight and his first complete work, another song, "Lola", when he was Copland's most formative musi-

cal experience came in his early twenties, when he studied for four years in Paris with Nadia Boulanger - the first of many American composers to do so. He digested the current musical fashions in Europe - notably Stravinsky, Prokofiev and "Les Six" - and returned to America in 1924 with the Organ Symphony which won him immediate notoriety and the patronage of the conductor Serge Koussevitzky, who programmed many new Copland works in his Boston Symphony

Orchestra concerts. These early pieces mixed Stravinskian neo-classicism with perhaps self-conscious jazz traits which Copland rejected after 1929 ("I was out for bigger game", he said). In the subsequent period, when he won fame with his ballets, he confined his tougher musical thoughts largely to chamber music: the 1941 Piano Sonata, the 1943 Violin Sonata, the superbly evocative Twelve Poems Of Emily Dickinson written in 1950, and (in the same year) the Piano

Quartet in which he used a 12-tone system for the first time. All these pieces won critical respect. In a work like the Third Symphony, written in 1946 and opening with the celebrated "Fanfare For The Common Man", he seemed to achieve a convincing synthesis between both his popular and his highbrow styles.

After 1950, however, Copland produced more complex works, which baffled his mass audience and disappointed even long-standing disciples. Leonard Bernstein, for instance, wrote that Copland "tried to catch up with 12-tone music, just as it was becoming old-fashioned to the young". He had two major public failures. His only full-length opera, The Tender Land (1954) was let down by its feeble libretto and by Copland's uncomfortable handling of the choral idiom, though its recent exhumation on disc and in the concert hall demonstrated that it contains some superb music. The uncompromising Connotations, written in 1962 for the opening of Philharmonic Hall in New York's Lincoln Center, was as wrong a piece for a gala audience as had been Britten's Gloriana a decade earlier. Inscape, also written for Bernstein and the New York Philharmonic in 1967, was his last major work.

With his cheerful demeanour, dry humour and unflappable temperament, Copland had almost no enemies. He never married but had several close, lifelong friends. When he was hauled before Senator Mc-Carthy's Un-American Activities Committee (ostensibly for providing music for a wartime film lauding Russian resistance to Hitler) the musical profession united in his SUPPORT.

From early in his career he seemed to be the natural head of America's composers. His capacity to collaborate happily with colleagues like Roger Sessions, Roy Harris, Walter Piston, Virgil Thomson - and later with Bernstein and Lukas Foss - resulted in a series of publishing, teaching, concert and broadcasting ventures which largely shaped American tastes in serious music. Thomson wrote that "all were to serve under his leadership as a sort of commando unit for penetrating one after the other the reactionary strongholds."

Besides numerous articles and lectures, Copland wrote three books: Our New Music (1941), Music And Imagination (1952) and Copland On Music (1960). Among many honours, he won the Pulitzer Prize in 1945 and the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1964.

Church news

New Archdeacon of Lewes and The Rev Caron Hugh Glassyer, Vicar.
All Saints. Hove. Priest-in-Charge. St.
John the Baotist. Hove. Rural Dean of
Hove. and a Pretendary of Chichester. Is to be
Archdescen of Lewes and Hastings.
Same diocese. Succeeding the R. Rev
Christopher Lutmoore who retires on
April 1900.

Wells: to be Assistant Curate, Combe Down w. Monation Combe and South Stoke, same diocese. The Rev Samuel R. Burrows, Priest-in-Charge, Milliom and Thwaites, diocese Curtisle: to be Vicar. Milliom and Thwaites, diocese Curtisle: to be Vicar. Milliom and Thwaites, same diocese. The Rev Preb Ronald A. Cason, Rector, Stoke learn, diocese Lichifield: to be Lecturer to the churches of Tetlenhall, same diocese. The Rev Royston J. Clarke. Vicar. Learnington Priors, St Mary, diocese Coventry: to be Rector, Gunton, diocese Norwich. The Rev Alan Coutes, Assistant Curate, Curate Curate, Curate Curate, St Francis, Branley and St James, Revenfield, same diocese. The Rev Dr Michael D. Cooke, to be non-stipendary Curate, Curiate, Christ, Bechenham, diocese Rochester. The Rev Bichael Cottrell, Curate, St Pater's, Belper, diocese Derby: to be Vicar, Locking, diocese Bath and Wells.

Chelmsford,
The Rev Charles Hall, Tenm Vicar,
Southampton City Centre, diocese
Winchester: to be Rector, Headbourne
Worthy: King's Worthy, same diocese,
The Rev Thomas P. Jardine, Curate,
All Saints, Crowborouch, diocese
Chichester: to be Vicar, Dersingham,
Shernborne and Anmer, diocese Norwich. shernborne and Anner, docese norwich.
The Rev Arthur Kennedy, Curate,
Tadley w. Pambear Healh, docese
Winchester: to be Rector,
Farmborough, Marksbury w. Stankon
Prior, diocese Bath and Wells.
The Rev Bernett Kirby, non-stipendiary minister, Si Nicholas,
Plumstead, diocese Southwark: to be
Assistant Priest, Christ the Saviour,
Letcester, diocese Letcester.
The Rev David J. Lawrence, Priest-incharge, Hemilippy, diocese Lincoth: to

Luncheons

Farmers' Company Mr R.J. Upton, Master of the Farmers' Company, presided at a livery luncheon held yesterday at Farmers' and Fletchers' Hall. The Masters of the Woolmen's and Gardeners' Companies were among the guests. **English-Speaking Union**

Sir Harry Secombe was the guest of honour and speaker at a literary luncheon of the English-Speaking Union of the Commonwealth held yesterday at Dartmouth House. Mr David Hicks, director-general, pre-sided and received the guests with Mrs Valerie Mitchell, deputy director-general. Mrs Ger-aldine Watson, Chairman of the ESU Coichester branch, also

The Institution of Mechanical Engineers is pleased to an-nounce that the following have been admitted to the class of Fellow and are permitted to use the designation FIMechE:

Mr A Aneen. Singapore; Mr P E Astley. Hurstingdon: Mr T Barber. Presson: Captain J W G Bench. CRE. MOO: Mr J P Cavethant. Million McCres. Dr. million. Captain J W G Bench. CRE. McCres. Dr. million. Captain J W G Bench. CRE. McCres. Dr. million. Captain J W G Bench. CRE. McCres. Dr. million. Captain. McCres. Dr. million. Captain. McCres. McC

QC, chairman, presided and the Earl of Bessborough, president,

Dinners

dinner for agriculturalists last night on the occasion of the Royal Smithfield Show. The toast, "Agriculture", was pro-posed by Sir Richard and re-plied to by the Parliamentary Secretay, Ministry of Agri-culture, Fisheries and Food, Mr David Curry. David Curry. European-Atlantic Group

Ambassador Jaakko Blomberg, Polincal Director at the Finnish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, was the guest speaker at a dinner of the European-Atlantic Group beld last night at St Ermin's Hotel Lord Rippon of Hexham, OC chairman, presided and the

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Langford, Cobham: Mr R J Lidbury, Hirchin; Mr D F Liosd, Newcastle upon Tyrie: Mr L MacKellar, Aylesbury, Mr K Manamadan, Kenley: Mr H & Manamadan, Kenley: Mr H & Manamadan, Lancaster: Mr P G Mortey, Worplendon: Mr S Z de Nagy Kowas Hrubar, Cape Towa, South Africa: Professor M H Patel, Billericay: Mr J G Payten, Canterbury: Mr N Rhodes, Ashtendi, Mr A J Sanders, New Maiden: Mr R Sayers, MacCelvield, Mr D N Scashill, Sistingri Mr I Scarr Selvinger, Canterbury: Mr N Sayers, MacCelvield, Mr D N Scashill, Sistingri Mr I Scarr Selvinger, Canterbury: Mr Sayers, MacCelvield, Mr D N Stephens, Mr Sayers, MacCelvield, Mr D N Scashill, Sistingri Mr I Scarr Selvinger, Canterbury Mr Sayers, MacCelvield, Mr D Stephens, Thames Death of Thames: Lieutenant Colone! P Smart, MOD: Colone! R Tarmane, Durst, MOD: Colone! R Tarmane, Luris, MOD: Colone! R Tarmane,

w. Burrowbridge and Lyng, same diocese. The Rev Alan C. Taylor, Vicar, St. Michael's, Stefford, diocese St. Al-bans: to be Rector, Portishead, diocese Bath and weits. The Rev Terence Thake, Rector, Chell beam, diocese Lichield: to be also Rural Dean of Stoke North, same diocese. diocese.
The Rev Frank Willett, USPG Area
Secretary: to be Vicar, St. Augustine.
Chesterfield, diocese Derby.

Church of Scotland Translations

The Rev Albert E Smith from Johnstone High to Dunkeld. Retirements The Rev Frank Collier from Forgue-Inverkeithny linked

with Ythanwells Auchaber. The Rev Stewart M Mac-Pherson Abbey. The Rev Ian P Renton from St Colm's, Edinburgh. The Rev Archibald Russell from Duror linked with Glencoe.

Church in Wales Diocese of Monmouth The Rev Stroot I. Guest. Vicer in the Rectorial Benefice of Combrant, to Rectorial Benefice of Combrant, to Vicar of Ragian, Liendenny and Brymowyn. - 10 January. The Rev Michael J. Goldop, Assistant Curaie of Bassaleg, to be Vicar of Richary. Greenway - 31 January.

Sir Richard Cooper Sir Richard Cooper gave a dinner for agriculturalists last

Agency.

State at the Scottish Office, was host at a reception given by Her Contain her a 0.657 mainrity Al MI many account on Extense alcount

aiea on Decem-"VLADO" Dedijer was born

in Belgrade of parents whose origins were in the stern peasantry of Bosnia and Hercegovina; both were involved in Serbian national politics. The family atmosphere was serious, even spell as a correspondent in puritanical. It thrust young London. Dedijer initially into the YMCA movement and at 17 he attended an international YMCA congress in Cleveland, Ohio. But Dedijer's religious

Back in Belgrade he went to work for Politika, at the time by far the best newspaper in the Balkans, and plunged into journalism with a characteristic verve and confidence.

doubts were reinforced by the

political promptings of his

brother Stefan, then a Prince-

ton student. Bitter reactions to

the great depression did the

February 14, 1914.

Vladimir Dedijer, Marshal Beginning as a crime reporter, dent again, he married Olga for treatment of his head clouds were lightening at (London, 1967), for which he Tito's biographer and com- he covered courts filled not Popović, the daughter of a wound. Afterwards he went to home. Returning to Yugo- drew not only on multilingual with crooks but also ber I aged 76. He was born on and this was to count for much with political victims of the regime. He saw the evils of a repressive censorship. Visits to Poland and to Danzig, then a free city, moved him more clearly to the left. So did radical friends, especially those in student circles. Still only 21, he had a six-months'

> was soon in close touch with Yugoslav communist party, then the principal target of the regime. During the Spanish the communist network which organised drafts for the international brigade. This activity

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soon a political commissar 1952. entrusted with many the field of propaganda. Twice with the party machine. He wrote a number of books wounded, the second time Unwilling to abandon his of varying merit and interest. Returning home again, he gravely in the head, he was made a lieutenant-colonel members of the clandestine when ranks were introduced into the partisan army in 1943. With Tito and other leaders he went through the civil war he was a courier for terrible months of the Neretva crossing and the early 1943 battles in Montenegro, and there he lost Olga, who was brought him the friendship of killed while serving as a Milovan Djilas, already one of doctor. In that tragic moment Tito's right-hand men. In May he was obliged to bury her 1937, with other radical hastily with his own hands, journalists, he was deprived of and the memory of it never his job at the government's left him. Next year the Royal

ri, where he joined and then government. Their flat be- led the partisan mission to modern history chair at Liucame a rendezvous for leading allied head-quarters. After the war he was appointed director Adhering to the earliest of information in the new partisan detachments government and was elected Yugoslav communist party in

was a fellow of St Antony's, and exhaustive survey of Oxford, and in 1963-65 a south Slav politics in the last visiting professor at Harvard years of the Austro-Hungarian marriage, and by a son and insistence. Becoming a stu- Air Force flew him to Cairo and Cornell. By this time the Empire, The Road to Sarajevo daughter of the second.

slavia he was appointed to a archives but also on bliana and to membership of the Serbian Academy. Dedijer was also active as

joint president of the Russell organised in 1941 under Tito's to the central committee of the Tribunal, an independent direct leadership, Dedijer was Yugoslav communist party in assembly of international intellectuals staging symbolic But politics were not for trials for war-time and peaceresponsibilities, especially in him. He was soon in trouble time human rights violations. friend Djilas, then in much Two were outstanding for graver trouble for questioning their literary quality and party corruption and violence, contribution to history. One Dedijer was given a suspended of these was his indispensable prison sentence and failed to and unforgettable diary of the secure the modern history partisan war (Dnevnik, Belchair that he hoped for at grade, 2 vols, 1945-46). Even Belgrade university. He was its much-abridged English fortunately able to seek relief version, With Tito Through in a spell abroad. In 1957 he the War (London, 1951), oflectured in Sweden. In 1959 he fers a rich picture of the daily was a Simon research fellow at life of the partisan movement. Manchester. In 1962-63 he The other was an ambitious

oral tradition. Dedijer also drew vividly

on his relationship with Tito, who was sheltered from the police by Dedijer's mother in her apartment in 1936-37. He first wrote a biography of Tito in 1952 but in 1981 published documents with a commentary that undermised the myth of Tito as infallible. By portraying him in more ordinary terms the publication also undermined the position of those leaders who relied on the power of the myth to support them. They tried to discredit him but he was able to reply that Tito had given him the main documents and told him to write about him the way it was. Dedijer completed four volumes. He is survived by his second

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Anaesthetists pay for professorship

HOSPITAL anaesthetists in East Anglia have helped to finance a professorship in the subject at Cambridge university (John Shaw writes).

The region's 85 specialists have contributed about £1,000 each to set up the chair, with the university and the regional health authority agreeing to put up a further £2.5 million

over ten years.

A trust has been set up with Dr Tom Ogg, director of the day surgery unit at Addenbrooke's hospital, Cambridge, as chairman. "We were faced with a situation where the money just wasn't there so we tried to get it off the ground ourselves," he said.
"As far as I know this sort of

thing is unique, but this is an important specialty which has been needed for so long in Professor J Gareth Jones, presently at Leeds university,

is to take the post. Receptions

HM Government Mr Ian Lang, Secretary of State Mr Ian Lang, Secretary or State for Scotland, was host at a reception given by Her Maj-esty's Government last night at Bute House, Edinburgh, for members and former members of the Scottish Development

HM Government Mr Michael Forsyth, Minister of

Middle Temple awards

The Honourable Society of the Middle Temple The Masters of the Bench awards:



Professor Grant Jordan has

been appointed to a Personal Chair in Politics and Inter-national Relations.

Goldsmiths' College

Appointments

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of Wales, Cardiff; Miss K McHugh, Kasie University, City of London Polyrechnic. Miss V of Murray, College, London, College, London, Emissive Scillege, Oxford, J J Turner, Royal Veterinary College, London, Emissive College, Cardininger, NA Burroughs, King's College, London, Emissive College, Cardininger, Mass K H Cook, Balliol College, Oxford, Polyrechnic of Central London: Miss K H Cook, Balliol College, Oxford, Polyrechnic of Central London: Miss S A Hodgson, Si Edmund Hall, Oxford, Toronito University, Miss M A James, Warwick University, Miss M College, Cambridge C J Wijsh, Leicester University.

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University news

Professor Rosemary Bailey Readerships: Mr E M Batley (German) Dr C H Chu (Mathematics), Mrs F Heidensohn (Social Science and Administration), Mr R A
Kimbell (Design and Technology Education), Dr B Morris
(Anthropology), Dr P M Thane
(Social History)



Mowden Hall School

Mr Andrew Lewis, at present Housemaster of Mitre House, Repton School, has been ap-pointed Headmaster of Mowden Hall School, Stocksfield, from September 1991.

State at the Scottish Office, was host at a reception given by Her Chair in English: Dr Alan (Social History)

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Service of thanksgiving The Right Rev Launcelot

A service of commemoration and thanksgiving for the Right Rev Launcelot Fleming, Bishop of Norwich 1959-71, was held at Norwich Cathedral on Novem-ber 30, 1990. The preacher was the Right Rev Hugh Blackburne, former Bishop of Thet-ford, and the Right Rev Peter Nott, Bishop of Norwich, gave the blessing. The congregation included Mrs Jane Fleming and members of her family, the Lord Lieutenant of Norfolk, and dignitaries representing the civic and church life in the

Lord Caccia

There will be a thanksgiving service for the life of Lord Caccia in Eton College Chapel on Friday, January 18, at 2.45 pm. Tickets should be applied for from: The Clerk to the Provost & Fellows, Provost & Lodge, Eton College, Windsor, SL4 6DH.

Sir James Easton A memorial service for Air Commodore Sir James ("Jack") Easton will be held at the RAF Central Church, St Clement Danes, Strand, London, WC2, on Friday, January 4, 1991, at

Meeting
Royal Over-Seas League
Sir David Wilson, Director of
the British Museum, was the
guest speaker at a meeting of the
Discussion Circle of the Royal
Over-Seas League held last night
at Over-Seas League held last night at Over-Seas House, St James's. Mrs Elizabeth Cresswell superior in anything that it is the remain

Forthcoming marriages

Major J.T.H. Coombs and Miss R.A. Owen-Thomas and Miss R.A. Owen-Thomas
The engagement is announced
between Jollyon, son of Wing
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Coombs, of Little Thatch,
Ringwood, Hampshire, and
Ruth, daughter of the late Mr Trevor Owen-Thomas and of Mrs Janet Owen-Thomas, of Netherways, Tidenham, Chepstow, Gwent.

Mr J.S.G. Gloag and Miss V.J. Walsh The engagement is announced between John, son of Mr and Mrs lan Gloag, of Stokesley, North Yorkshire, and Victoria. younger daughter of Colonel and Mrs Richard Walsh, of Maddington, Wiltshire.

Mr M.D.H. Knight and Miss S.J. Hobbs

The engagement is announced between Matthew, son of Mr and Mrs David Knight, of Kingston, near Lewes, and Suzanne, daughter of Mr and Mrs David Hobbs, of Chorleywood, Hertfortches Flight Lieutenant J.P.G. Sharp and Flying Officer F. Brown The engagement is announced between John, third son of Mr and Mrs Peter Sharp, of Withiel, Communication of Mr

and was reter Sharp, of Withiel, Cornwall, and Fiona, only daughter of Mr and Mrs George Brown, of Ulgham, Northumb-erland. Mr S.A.S. Small and Miss L.A. Burnett
The engagement is announced
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DEATHS

ABOUSON - On November 27th, suddenly, Carole, adored mother of Elizabeth and kary and much loved wife of James, Figueral Service al St Mary the Boltons Church. The Boltons Church at 150 pm. Finday Descendes 7th All her french are friends are welcome. Flowers to Ballard Funerals. 308 Old Brompton Road. London SW5, to arrive by 12 London SW6, to arrive by 12 | 100s Pease.

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SUCHANAN - On December 1st, at home in Komming. Sevenana. Lacy Meeter Belle Ferrier: widow of the late Sir John Buchanan. Funeral Service on December 1st in at 2 pm Tumbringe wells Crematorium. All enounces to w Hooges & Co. Funeral Directors let. (0732) 464467 Burkerss. - On December 1st 1990. aged 70 years. Dr George Harold, M.B. C.H.B. M.R.C.O.G., dearly lowed husband of Sheita. forung inthes of Catherine Christine and Robert and devoted grandfamer of Jesuca. Sophie. Charlotte and isabel Service at St. Androw's Church. Crews. on Wednesday December 6th 1990 at 115 gm. Cremston al Bradwell Cremston al Bradwell Cremston at St. Sophie. Charlotte and the service at St. Androw's Church. Crews. on Wednesday December 6th 1990 at 15 gm. Family Rowers only donatons to Cancer Research Campaign. Seigrave Square, London Swiix CRAWFDED - On December 1st 1990, peacefully in hospital sites as dinens borne with reach courage and destribution. Petrota Mary, aged 73 years, much toued wife of Wilfred and courage of Corge. Sue. Williams and Charles. Funeral Service at Hony Trinsty Church. Haddington, on Thursday December 6th 2: 9th interment percepter in Director Cemetery arriving at 2-65 pm Flowers may be sent to G. Wood & May Funeral Directors. 43 Court Street. Haddington.

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BUTLER - On November 30th, after a lone illness neroccully borne, Marjorie (Buzzle), whome of Ceneral Sir Mervyn (Tubby) Butler. A loving mother to Microel and Wendy, she will be sadly massed by them and ner diversing the same of the presentation of Funeral at South Harring Parish Church at 2.50 pm Monday December 10th Family flowers only and po letters please. Donatons to West Sussex Macmillan Service at King Eoward VII Hospital, Midthurst, will be most grainfully received.

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only please, but donations of destred to The British Heart Foundation, 343 Westpate Road, Newcastle upon Tyne, Road, Newcastle upon Tyne, at The Feminick Hospital, Lynchurst, Ida Constance, aged 80 years, dearly loved wife of Dr. W.H. Greany, mother of Anne and Monaet, Cremation at Southampton Cremation at Southampton Cremation at Southampton Cremation at Southampton Cremation in East Chapter, on Friday December Tin at 4 pm. Floral tributes please to J. Sturney Funeral Directors, Lynchurst.

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CHAMBERS - On Fridge
November 30th, peacefully
after a short times at her
home in Respham, Norfolk,
Katharine Elizabrth, 11.8,
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CLARM - On St Andrew's Day.

Mary (nee Willis), dear wrise and partner of the Rev A.P.

Peter) Clark and greatly loved by Rosalind Rechel and their families Funeral Service at St Mary's. Long Dimon. Surrey on Thesday December 11th at 12 15 sm. No flowers, but donations it desired to I.C. Unit. Kingston Hossital. C/o Fredit W Panne F/D. 29 Coombe Road. Kingston, Surrey KT2 7AY, tet. (US1) Set-4813. and grand/sither to Jonathan. Requirem and interment of cremanes at \$1 James' Church. Antony, near Torpons. 2.50 pm Friday December 7ts. Memortal Service to be notified at a sater date. Libell. - On December 2nd. peacefully. Vinget Pertoval. MBE. Mester at Cathon College (The Yak) and laderly Postmaster at Moorlynch A beloved ducle, and brother of the late Alvar Ludell. Funeral at \$1 Marylebone Cremanorium. tel: (081) 546-4813.

COTTON On Saharday
Denember 1st 1990, peace
fully, following a long
struggle with cancer.
Michael Henry, aged 50
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and dear brother of Sarsh,
Joanna Penny and Ludia
and dear brother of Richard
He faced his filmess with
quiet courage and without
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anssed by his friends and
colleagues at James Latham
ptc, where he worked for 53
years, and by so marry
others, in particular his close
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including the Pathfinders. Lidell, Funeral at St. Marylebone Crematorium, East End Road, East Finchley. N2. at 3.50 pm on Monday December 10th.

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others, as particular his coper friends at All Sauns' including the Pathfinders. The Service of Phasusgroup for his affe will take place on Priday December 7th at 12.30 pm at All Sauns' Church. Woodford Weils, followed by private cremation. Family flowers only. Donadions for the national work of Pathfinders, the Christian youth dranslamon he served for over 32 years, may be left in Church at the Service or sent to All Saunts' Partet Office, inmans Row, woodford Weils, Engel KS ONH. Cheques payable to CPAS 'Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence', Hebrews 4 v.16.

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ON THIS DAY

MARKE MARKET Copyright exists durng a writer's lifetime and for 50 years thereafter. Rudyard Kipling died in 1936 and his work is now at the mercy of the advertising industry.

CHANCERY DIVISION KIPLING LINES USED AS AN ADVERTISEMENT RUDYARD KIPLING V. GENATOSAN LIMITED

(Before Mr. Justice Peterson)

In this action. Mr. Rudyard Kipling claimed an injunction to restrain the defendants from publishing, as part of an advertisement, a literary work by him entitled "If," or any part of it, and from otherwise infringing his copyright in the verses.

The defendants had inserted the following lines in an advertisement of their preparation known as "Sanatogen":

"If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew To serve your turn long after they

Ate gone, And so holu on when there is nothing in you Except the will which says to them, Mr. Hughes, K.C., and Mr. "Held on."

Macgillivray appeared for the plain-tiff, Mr. Hogg. K.C., and Mr. W. Gordon Brown for the defendants. Mr Hughes said that the defendants dealt in the patent food known as Sanatogen. The plaintiff wrote "If." a poem of 32 lines. About the beginning of 1918 it appeared to have occurred to the defendants that the last four lines of the third stanza might be used or debased as an advertisement, and they proceeded, without having had the courtesy to ask the permission of Mr Kipling, so to use the lines. The matter only came to the knowledge of Mr. Kipling in April last. Nothing could be more annoying to an author of Mr. Kipling's reputation than to have his work associated with the clap-trap of

the patent medicine vendor. By their defence the defendants said that they made no admission that they quoted the lines Mr. Justice Peterson. — And costs.

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The copyright in "If" and damages who had the copyright in "If" and they said that they quoted the lines

because they were appropriate to Sanatogen. The worst thing that could happen to a distinguished author was to have his work put to such base use: it was far worse than a pecuniary loss. Mr. Kipling asked the defendants to treat the matter in a proper way and, among other things, to pay £100 to a charity named by him. Needless to say, he did not ask for any money for himself. On the pleadings the only issue was whether these four lines were a substantial part of the work ...

Mr. A.S. Watt, examined by Mr. Hughes, said that he had been the literary agent of Mr. Kipling for 31

Cross-examined by Mr. Hogg, he thought that Mr. Kipling's poetry was widely, but not very widely, quoted Stories and chapters in books were often headed by quotations from well-known poe

Mr. Brown said that the lines were out in the defendant's advertisement simply to make a point, just as many writers quoted lines to make a point. Mr. Hughes, in reply, said that if the defendants were correct in saying that this was not an infringement of the plaintiff's copyright there was the terrible prospect for authors of seeing their works put up in fields as advertisements for Beechem's Pills

and other things. Mr. Justice Peterson, in delivering judgment, said that the poem "If" was very well known and for that reason no doubt the defendants had used it for their advertisement. He was not surprised that Mr. Kipling, or any other poet, should object to have his poem used in that way. It was not unfair to say that if a poem was used in that way, the advertiser should offer to pay for it. There was no doubt that Mr. Kipling was the owner of the copyright in "If". That being so, under the Copyright Act of 1911, he had the sole right to produce or reproduce it, or any substantial

part of it. The question really was whether the defendants had taken a substantial part of the poem "If". The four lines which they had taken were important lines. In his opinion, therefore, the defendants had infringed Mr. Kipling's copyright, and there must be an injunction to prevent them from using the advertisement in future. Mr. Hughes. - I ask for 40s.

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Cufflinks have always offered designers a

small-scale canvas.

Liz Smith selects a range

buttons" have been in stopped flourishing flounces of lace at the wrists that were held together with cuff 'strings". In the 19th century, when plain double cuffs became too heavily starched to be closed with buttons, cufflinks were established as essentials in every gentleman's wardrobe.

The two linked discs soon became the canvas for all manner of decorative flourishes, from a simple button rimmed and centred with jewels, to custommade cufflinks displaying portraits of pets in enamel, club colours, pheasants, or the biggest fish ever caught. Even miniatures of loved ones can be reproduced in enamel

The smartest cufflinks are the simplest. At Tiffany a silver button with gold criss-cross stitching costs £90, but its best-selling style for more than 40 years remains a double button cufflink in 18ct gold, at £420. An even more extravagant present, packaged in the distinctive blue Tiffany box, would be 18ct gold button links with diamonds in the stitch holes (£1,105).

Even miniatures of loved ones

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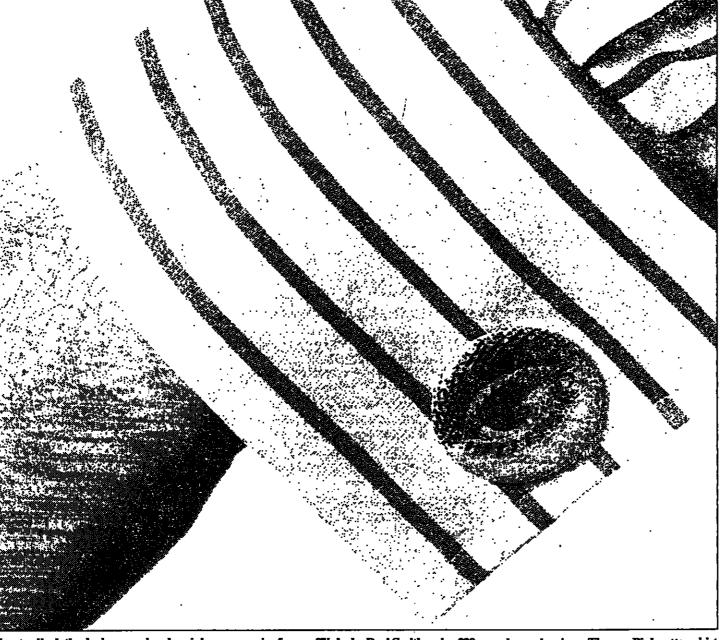
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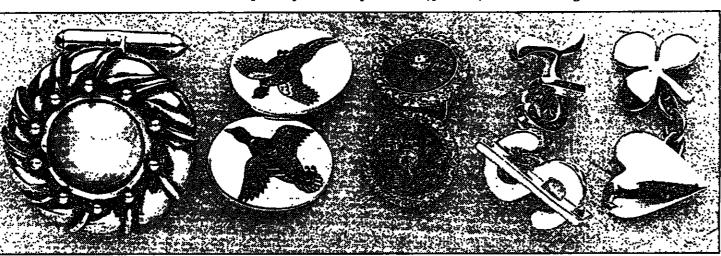
classic cufflinks that are twists of three colours of gold, costing £1,405. Typical Cartier cabochoncut gemstones sunk into the City range of cufflinks include onyx, lapis, coral and malachite, priced from £950.

Hermes's 18ct gold Sellier button cufflinks, with Hermes engraved around the edge, cost £920. At Gucci, cufflinks in stirrup or GG designs start at £35 in metal, and at £140 in 18ct gold.

At Turnbull & Asser in Jermyn Street (where one cuff is made bigger on bespoke shirts, to take into account the wearer's wristwatch) Kenneth Williams, the customers switch from simple three-buttoned cuffs to double cuffs that demand links. He has transformed Turnbull & Asser shirt buttons into smart cufflinks. backed and criss-cross stitched in 18ct gold for £95 (£75 for silver). Smoked pearl button cufflinks are supplied for evening shirts, £195 for a set of cufflinks and three studs. Most of the shirts sold by Thomas Pink, the shirtmakers with shops in London, Bath and Edinburgh and with a large mail order clientele, are double-cuffed. Pink sells silver cufflinks in plain ovals, or adorned with a fox's head and tail, as well as the colourful silk knots that are hand-made in



How to clinch the deal on a nod and a wink: wear a pair of eye cufflinks by Paul Smith, price £39, seen here adorning a Thomas Pink cotton shirt



Think links: (from left) pearl and silver cufflinks, £360, Paul Smith; 9ct gold pheasant cufflinks, £650, Nigel Milne; Victorian diamond and blue enamel cufflinks, £5,200, Paul Longmire; sterling-dollar links in silver, £49.95, Charles Tyrwhitt; hearts and clubs in 9ct gold, £420, Garrard

Indonesia and cost just £5. Hornes (with branches around the country) sells cufflinks displaying Hot and Cold as on ceramic taps, price £45, and typewriter keys mounted on sterling silver. Herbert Johnson in Bond Street has a good selection of cufflinks, mixing fishing hat and rod, or jockey's crop and cap, as well as one that marries a miniature bowler hat with a rolled-up

copy of The Times (£75). The mecca for antique cufflinks in London is, appropriately, in the gentlemanly, clubby atmosphere of St James's, where Paul Longmire presides over a collection of 600 different cufflinks.

Holder of three royal warrants, he keeps his customers supplied with late 19th-century and early Edwardian cufflinks, and enjoys searching out pieces to satisfy the quirkiest demands. Prices start at about £1,000, although an antique mother-of-pearl button cufflink,

knotted in gold, is priced at £860.
The Crafts Council shop at the Victoria & Albert Museum, always a good source of unconventional presents, has commis-sioned cufflinks from 19 designermakers for a special mini-exhibition called "Off the Cuff", with conventional and eccentric pieces in a variety of materials costing from £10 to £2,000.

Among the more notable pieces are cufflinks in brightly coloured enamel on silver by a Royal College of Art graduate, Zsuzsi Morrison, and geometrically-patterned PVC, laminate and rubber cufflinks by the Scottish designer, Anne Finlay. Peter Chang's viv-idly coloured, carved and inlaid acrylic cufflinks use an old Chinese lacquer technique. Some include tiny acrylic mirrors and gold leaf discs. Alistair McCallum, a silversmith, is showing cufflinks in a mixture of metals - silver with brass and copper, for exam-

ple. His use of chemicals to

patinate the metals results in quite

dramatic colour contrasts.

More classical are Alison MacCullough's peach and black marble and silver pieces, and Vicky Ambery-Smith's architecturally-inspired, mixed metal cufflinks. Precious metal pieces include Gerda Flockinger's collectable work in silver and gold with pearls and stones.

● Paul Smith, Floral St. London WC2; Nigel Milne, 16c Grafton St, W1; Paul Longmire, 12 Bury St, SW1; Charles Tyrwhitt, 32 Faraday SW1: Charles Tyrwhitt, 32 Faraday Rd. W10; Garrard, 112 Regent St, W1. Off the Cuff is at the Crafts Council Shop. Victoria & Albert Museum, London SW7 (071-589 5070) until December 23, from 10am-5.30pm Monday-Saturday, 2.30-5.30pm Sunday.

Recalling the. lights fantastic

Are the glittering Christmas illuminations of Regent Street fading into a dim memory?

A FAVOURITE refrain at this time of year is that the Regent Street lights "aren't what they used to be". In the Fifties and Sixties people went mad for the lights, if the newspapers of the time are to be believed. The display in 1959 made the centre spread of Life magazine, the Evening Standard devoted its first full-page, full-colour picture to the lights of 1961.

The hysteria probably peaked in 1960. Cartoonists of every important newspaper seemed to find a way of including the lights in a topical joke, while some writers even took the theme of internallylit angels quite seriously. "They lean forward to sound their trumpets in glory," the Yorkshire Post reported. "They are unliturgical, but they are folklore angels, longparmented and as they are now they will be admired by many thousands." There were many pictures of the naive and untutored gazing upwards with their mouths open. "Blimey, guv," a cabby was reported to have told the angels' designer. Beverley Pick, this place gets more like heaven every day."

Mr Pick was responsible for the design of 12 of Regent Street's Christmas lighting schemes, beginning with the first in 1954. A year earlier he had designed the street's decorations for the Queen's coronation.

In 1954 there was simply a series of lanterns hanging from the shop fronts. "It didn't occur to anyone you could string a whole lot of clobber across the street," Mr Pick says. However, by the next year he was stringing clobber across the street in the form of snow crystals, glistening shapes suspended from wires and floodlit By 1959, the familiar Pick trademark of independently-lit "features" suspended across the street and linked by loops of coloured lights had emerged. This was the year of his chandeliers. *That was my all-time favourite

scheme," he says. BY THE mid-Sixties, the demands of the job - climbing up and down ladders, trying to apply stagecraft while standing out in the rain night after night — were too much for him. "I used to sit at home and pray that nothing fell off," he says. Mr Pick is now retired from a successful design career that earned him an OBE. Since 1966, a number of designers have done the Regent Street lights, including the Conran Design Group (1987), Imagination (1988), and the jewellers Butler &

Why do the decorations seem to have lost some of their impact? Harry With, the designer of this year's clowns scheme for Vantage Design, defends them energetically: "Who are you creating the lights for? It's not for people like Terence Conran. It's for the children. We'd been through trees, we'd been through stars."

Mr Pick's approach was different. "In my day," he says, "I used to set out to appeal to the more sophisticated, who, after all, did their shopping in Regent Street. Kids would only be attracted by the lights and the

The real difference probably lies







Making light of Christmas: from top, Regent Street illuminations in 1960, 1979 and this year



Those bright, remembered days: Beverley Pick in the Sixties

in the cost. This year's scheme by the traders of the Regent Street Association, and partly by National Power, in the form of sponsorship. In the early days, Mr Pick was working with budgets of about £30,000. "If they did those schemes today, it would probably be £1 million-worth of work," he

No one, of course, is going to put up £1 million for Christmas lights unless it is clear that there is something to be gained from it.
"In the Fifties and early Sixties going to see the lights became the thing to do," Mr Pick says. "Now even the media have lost interest."

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All change for the big show

Television fashion goes live with a challenge from

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BIRMINGHAM establishes started to lower the rarefied its place on the fashion map tone that television had prethis week when BBC television's The Clothes Show moves into the National Ex-

Since 1986, when the programme was first screened and Banks and Selina Scott, went

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viously taken towards high fashion, the organisers have been pressed by viewers wanthibition Centre and becomes ing to attend shows and events. As a result the Clothes Show team, headed by Jeff

enthusiasts crowded the exhibition halls at Olympia, west London.

Now the event, which is sponsored by Lloyds Bank, is to be expanded into a five-day fashion bonanza, opening on Thursday.

On stand G113 in Hall 8 The Times is challenging fashion students taking the BA honours course at the Poly-technic of Central London to

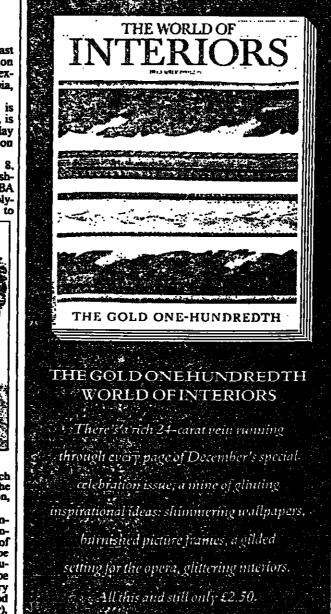


Presenter: Selina Scott

design a different outfit each day based on pages from the Saturday Review section, printed on to wool challis.

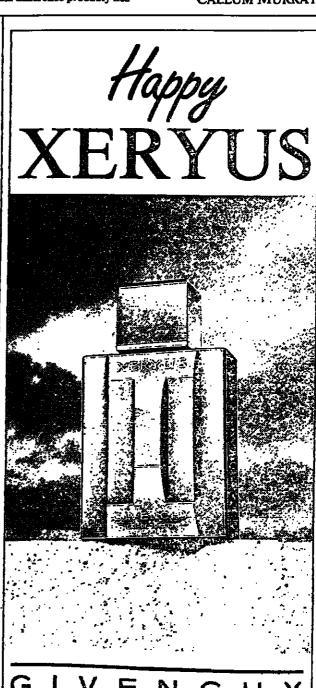
Beauty experts will dem-onstrate their skills on volunteers, and the secrets of fashion photography will be revealed in improvised studios. Six catwalk shows will be staged each day and Mary Quant, Vivienne Westwood (the designer of the year), Edina Ronay, Antony Price and John Richmond head the list of guest designers.

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Shooting an actor acting the shooter

ow about this for a prophetic dress rehearsal? In the film Postcards from the Edge (opening in Britain next month) Simon Callow plays the part of an English director named Simon, making his first film in America. A year after completing that Mike Nichols film in Hollywood, Callow was in Willieville, Texas, doing it for real. But the flamboyant, archetypal film director he created for the screen has little in common with the gravitas of the figure that occupies the director's chair in Willieville.

That the offer to direct his first film should have come from the United States was almost inevitable. Though Callow's accomplishments are less visible there (Equity prohibits him from acting on the American stage), his work is more highly prized than in Britain. His biography of Charles Laughton, dismissed by the editor of one British pages as the beginn of one British paper as 100 boring and badly written to be considered for serialisation, was given a five-page review in *The New Yorker*. His performance in the six-hour Faust at the Lyric, Hammersmith, received tepid notices in England, but a feverishly enthusiastic review in The New York Times.

Callow was the first actor of his generation to re-cast himself, with equal success, as a director and writer. Precocity, strong opinions, the breezy public manner, these characteristics have always provoked extreme reactions. People either love Callow or loathe him, and he is aware of it.

Luckily, one of his most loyal admirers is the film producer Ismail Merchant, who gave Cal-low his first screen role (as the Reverend Beebe in A Room with a View), and now the opportunity to direct his first film. Unable to finance this film in any other way ("We have letters of rejection which amount to a total exposé of the state of mind of people who finance films," says Callow), Mer-chant broke the film producer's cardinal rule by putting up the bulk of the money himself. "I wanted Simon for this project," says Merchant, "because the material is so theatrical, outlandish, operatic even, that it could so easily go wrong in every direction without someone of his capabi-

The project is the Carson Mc-Cullers novella, The Ballad Of The Sad Cafe. It is an extreme and freakish love story of a giantess (Vanessa Redgrave) who falls in love with a hunchbacked dwarf Simon Callow, on the set of his first

film as director, is interviewed by

Anna Kythreotis

(Cork Hubberd) who does not return her love but instead loves the man (Keith Carradine) who loved the giantess who had rejected him.

"The literary form of this is, to steal a term from modern South American writers, magic realism," explains Callow, lighting a fresh cigarette from the butt of the last.

The more I read of what Mc-Cullers had to say about it the more I understood, as I believe, that it was a sort of harsh, strange fairy story. It has the element of poetic feeling that is exactly what I would have wanted to bring to the screen had I chosen a subject

He obeyed the Merchant imperative "like one accepts events in a

I have no interest in final solutions: the actors take over the imaginative baton...

dream. I'm what you might call a passive extrovert. I almost never go out to get anything; things have unbelievably luckily just come to me." The film came at a time when Callow began to notice that his theatre work was tending dangerously towards the cinematic. "I was trying to achieve something of the speed and change of focus that a film offers. The theatre should never be a medium for the director's self-expression, but it can be, and perhaps should be in a film.

He arrived on the set "a complete and blushing virgin". His ability to cope with the dramatic elements was never in doubt, but his ease at picking up the language and the technical aspects of film-making amazed all "Complete paralysis" is how Callow describes his reaction to his first moment on the set. "Then I

an Garbarek describes his first

encounter, almost 30 years ago, with the sound of John

ed, brushed my teeth or

Coltrane: "Every morning when I

had breakfast, he was there in the

background." Garbarek was 14 at

the time. He recalls that he had

little interest in jazz or any form of

music for that matter, until the

moment he heard Coltrane play-

Exhilarated by the tenor player's

ing "Countdown" on the radio.

lary; what struck him most was the

impression of spontaneity. It was

probably just as well that the

ceased to feel any anxiety at all. I knew that I'd have to conduct my education in public, as usual, and make a fool of myself."

Callow, an enfant terrible of the fringe, embraced gay literature and theatre long before it became fashionable to do so. His major theatrical break came when he created a contentious portrayal of Mozart in Peter Shaffer's Amadeus for the National Theatre. Callow then offended the Brit-

ish theatrical establishment with his book, Being An Actor. Its final chapter, the "Manifesto", attacked the hegemony of directors and advocated a radical re-assessment of their function. By taking on the auteur's medium, Callow knows he is putting his head in a noose.

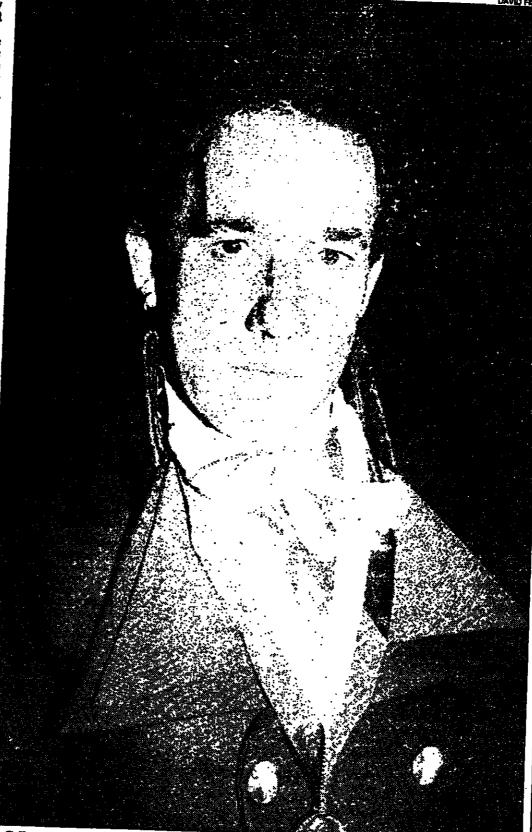
"I don't take anything back —
but I'm a different person. The
person who wrote that Manifesto was absolutely right, and whenever I direct a play in the theatre I always take a copy and say 'Look.
This is what I wrote and I think
he's right, and I am as likely to
offend against what he says in that as anybody else, so if I do, shout at

me.' And they do."
Not in Willieville, they don't. Scratch anyone on the set and they bleed praise to the point of haemorrhage. "Most directors lack knowledge and experience of acting — that is the most neglected aspect," says Rod Steiger. "Callow is imaginative, co-operative, compassionate, helpful, open to suggestions and advice — and without any ego problem. I'd work

For the film, Callow replaced his Manifesto with a three-page document that examined the nature of the work. "My belief is that the principal job of a director is to elucidate the vision of the work, to keep it ever present in peoples' minds. Once you do that, directing, except in the most technical sense, becomes almost redundant.

"I have no interest in imposing final solutions. I'm only interested in proposing the general intention of the piece and its world, and then plugging my collaborators into it. Then the actors take over the imaginative baton and go further than you'd imagined. The thing that I would most like to have said of me is that I was a catalyst."

At the close of the film Callow was given the clapper-board, the traditional tribute of the camera crew to a director who has carned their respect. The State of Texas gave him honorary citizenship, though he still has to pay his speeding fines.



Callow, as director, has to "conduct my education in public, as usual, and make a fool of myself"

Garbarek: distinctive European

Traveller on his own 'trane

Jan Garbarek, jazz saxophonist now in Britain, talks to Clive Davis

young Garbarek did not know how great a challenge he was setting himself. He made fast progress: after a year he was leading a quartet - modelled on Coltrane's - at Norway's amateur iazz champion

performance, Garbarek obtained a copy of the record, listening to it Since then he has developed his every day before going to school. own style. With his sparse, keen-The next step was to buy his own ing tone and his forays into saxophone. He taught himself largely by listening to albums. He was, he says, unaware of the vast traditional folk themes, he has become the most distinctive of European saxophonists. complexity of Coltrane's vocabu-

His minimalist approach is not to everybody's taste. He is not the kind of player who will set concert halls alight with choruses of

"Now's the Time" or "In a Sentimental Mood". Understatement is the key to his music and he sometimes drifts perilously close

to emollient mood music. The static, precisely controlled ambience of his concerts is certainly a long way from the unpredictability of his early period, "In the good old Sixties," he says, "we used to go on stage and just play. Nothing was pre-arranged. After a while I found that it was sounding the same. Total freedom seems to be a very limited thing. I didn't feel free with the freedom."

On his new album, I Took Up the Runes, Garbarek has recruited the "African Parisian" Manu Katché, a drummer who had previously worked with Robbie Robertson and Peter Gabriel. To some listeners, Katché's style is too reminiscent of rock music. Garbarek disagrees; he enjoys

hearing a drummer who, he says, uses all the resources of the kit. Unlike many of his contemporaries, Garbarek looks beyond the routines of pure improvisation. His output has included scores for stage productions of Ibsen, and a recording inspired by

the work of the poet Tomas Transtromer. He also makes a often visiting the archives of Oslo University to research material.

Pianist Keith Jarrett and Garbarek have worked together in the past: for example, on the orchestral composition "Luminessence". Is there any chance of a reunion? Garbarek thinks it

He notes that Jarrett has gravi-tated towards recordings of Bach and re-workings of jazz evergreens with his "Standards" trio. "If you see what Keith's doing and what I am doing, it would not be very

• Jan Garbarek is at the Town & Country. London NW5 (071-284 0303) tonight and the Royal Northern College of Marie 1987 ern College of Music, Manchester (061-273 4504) on Thursday

BRIEFING

To dance, sign here

AMERICAN Ballet Theatre has told its dancers that unless they agree to new contracts by today, the company will be disbanded. The two sides are in dispute over touring allowances and a proposal that members of the corps de ballet should no longer be entitled to single rooms when on the road, Artistic director Jane Hermann says the principal dancers have all signed new contracts and she cannot believe the dancers would close down the company on such a point. The dancers' union is angry because the management issued its ultimatum direct to the dancers without going through the negotiating machinery.

All his own work

THE pianist John Ogdon's musical eccentricity and his tortured personal life have tended to eclipse the fact that he was, in his time, a considerable composer in his own right A recital at London's Blackheath Concert Halls on Sunday should redress the imbalance in our memory of him. Works written when he was one of the central figures of the Manchester New Music Group will be played, together with later compositions such as his Sonata for unaccompanied flute, his 25 Preludes for piano, and his "American" piano sonata written for his wife, Brenda Lucas, one of the evening's pianists.



Homegrown

AFTER years of neglect, British film-makers are finally waking up to the wealth of grisly material lurking in the country's criminal files. Following his success with the lives and murders of The Krays, the director Peter Medak is now at the helm of Let Him Have It - an examination of the Bentley-Craig case which held the nation in thrall during the winter of 1952, Craig, aged 16, killed a policeman after being caught breaking into a confectionery warehouse in Croydon; but it was 19-year-old Bentley, his mentally enough to be executed. Two screen newcomers, Christopher Eccleston and Paul Reynolds, take the

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TOM Cairus' Greenwich production of Miss Julie relies confidently on physical naturalism and psychological realism, as well as on a fresh translation by Helen Cooper. As Strindberg's would-be seductress, Lesley Manville gives a credible, touching interpretation, made the more poignant by her physical frailty. In Barry Lynch's footman, Jean, she has a sturdy partner. An impressive London debut for Cairus, the show closes on Saturday at Green-wich Theatre (081-858 7755).

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the more perverse phenomena Bridge Variations played with of London's concert life: how such vibrant string texture; a programme of exceptional seldom do Stravinsky's Syminterest played by an orchestra of reliable quality can all but sound so mordantly witty. empty a hall. The Chamber Orchestra of Europe was bardest hit. The first of its four concerts with Gennadi Rozhdestvensky at the Barbican and joined by Yvonne Kenny offered Britten and Stravinsky and Stephen Varcoe, to perrarities, along with more popular works. The public did not buy it.

Rozhdestvensky brings out the best in this orchestra. The surfaced comparatively remaestro dislikes lengthy re- cently from the Britten estate, hearsal: the sections work with a debut at Snape ten diligently among themselves years ago, with sporadic to make up the shortfall; performances since, and with Rozhdestvensky twinkles at a recording made last year. them at the right musical and The word-setting responds psychological moment, and more to the scents and sounds the result is transfixing. Sel- of Verlaine and Hugo than to

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phonies of Wind Instruments The reason for being there,

though, was to hear Philip Langridge sing Britten's early Quatre chansons françaises form Stravinsky's complete Pulcinella, songs and all. Britten wrote his first song-cycle when he was 15, and it has

the niceties of linguistic inflec-tion. But so cumningly do the orchestra's own soloists duet with the voice amid extraordinarily confident orchestration, that the listener is struck only by the passion of the composer's own responses.

Stravinsky's game, on the other hand, was to encourage a sense of distance. The trompe l'oeil effect of his reworkings of Pergolesi in short, sparsely scored orchestral movements was sharply delineated in all its droll melancholy.

Plenty of seats were spare, too, in the Festival Hall for an ingenious BBC Symphony Orchestra programme focusing on music for the oboe by Mozart and Bruno Maderna. More should have been there to hear Maurice Bourgue go a set out in Maderna's own long way towards proving, in a recorded performance was by

performance of deft ornamentation and musical clarity, that the oboe was the great orig-inal, preceding the flute in Mozart's two conceptions of this same work.

The flute may have dominated Bruno Maderna's writing in the 1950s, but the oboe took over in his final years, and the Third Concerto seems to sum up many of his preoccupations as a composer. The tug between "composed" and "spontaneous" music reaches its apotheosis in what is a substantially aleatory score, with chance playing as

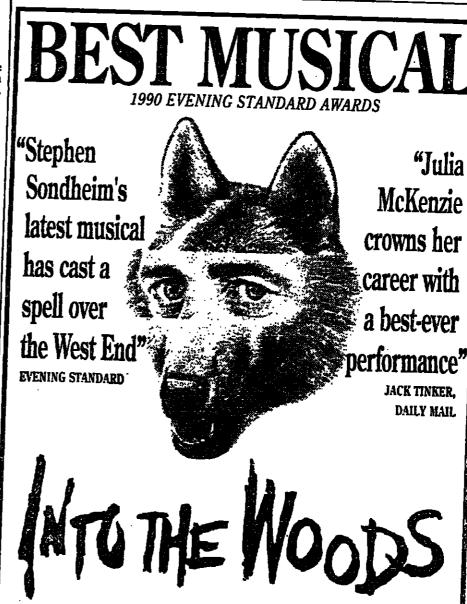
large a part as any orchestral instrument on stage Lothar Zagrosek kept pretty tight control of the concerto's unfolding. The plan of action

oboe's own open cadenza being stabilised by a free, filigree of orchestral pedal. Bourgue, as soloist, would then dare his colleagues to imitate or counter his brittle fragments of melody.

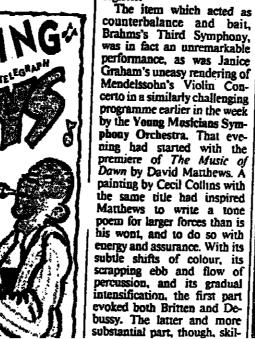
The fun really started after a brief explosive tutti, when a long oboe solo (at times teasing the reed only) was supported and interrupted by changing orchestra groups. Bourgue inflected his performance throughout towards mischief and artifice. The concert had begun with

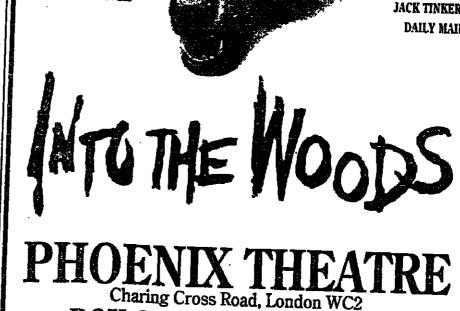
Stockhausen's curiously unjubilant Jubilee, a 20-minute ritual of sound waves passing from left to right in an austere, almost chorale-like formula through an orchestra layered and disposed by means of

counterbalance and bait. Brahms's Third Symphony, was in fact an unremarkable performance, as was Janice Graham's uneasy rendering of Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto in a similarly challenging programme earlier in the week by the Young Musicians Symphony Orchestra. That evening had started with the premiere of The Music of Dawn by David Matthews. A painting by Cecil Collins with the same title had inspired Matthews to write a tone poem for larger forces than is his wont, and to do so with energy and assurance. With its subtle shifts of colour, its scrapping ebb and flow of percussion, and its gradual intensification, the first part evoked both Britten and Debussy. The latter and more









Masculine women, operatic men

THEATRE Y a Otra Cosa. Mariposa/ Peter and the Captain Battersea Arts Centre

ROBERT Delamere's production of When Five Years Pass, Lorca's early surrealist romance with death, won a Fringe First at-Edinburgh last year, and the Ragazzi Theatre Company he helped to found has since presented other Spanish pieces, including three more Lorcas. Now his company extends its range to Latin America, introducing the work of the Argentinian dramatist Susana Torres Molina, born in 1946, and Mario Benedetti, a generation older, from Uruguay. The first presents a woman's view of male sexual bravado; the second a less successful confrontation between two men, a political prisoner and his torturer.

The title of Molina's play, Y a Otra Cosa, Mariposa, translates as There's Another Thing, Butterfly but it has the cheeky rhythm of "See You Later, Alligator", suggesting the phrase comes from some pop song over there. In five scenes spanning the rise and fall of male just, from boyhood to park bench, four friends boast of their erotic prowess and thereby reveal a contemptuous, scared or just shabby attitude towards the other

The joshing is shrewdly observed, particularly in the first two scenes, but what gives the play its originality is that the four males are played by actresses. Four coat stands are hung with Fair Isle jumpers, leather jackets, suits and old men's hats which the women don and discard as the play proceeds, slicking back their hair

Charm: Markova in 1953

- RADIO

Winnie Mandela and

the Football Club

BBC Radio 4

FOUR years ago, the wife of Nelson Mandela delivered a

notorious speech which ad-

vocated, among other things, that

traitors to the cause of the ANC

should have petrol-filled tyres

jammed over their shoulders and

then be turned into human bar-

becues. "With our necklaces" was

a phrase much repeated by the

Mandelas' most visible oppo-

nents, who gleefully used it to

demonstrate the unaccentability of future black rule. This was not a

matter of a few dispensible "terrs"

being murdered by their own kind,

but a timely lesson in the true

The most cogent comment ad-

but making no attempt to flatten what Pete 'n' Dud enjoy calling their "busty substances". A new dimension is certainly added to a boyhood game when actresses portray a quartet of gum-chewing dirty-mouthed urchins turning their backs on the audience to

compare the length of their parts. After the first disorienting surprise the gain from this device is actually rather small, and not only because the women are more adept at conveying the coarse rough and tumble in the wasteground and the edginess of youths at a dance hall than when their characters have matured, if that is the word, into adults. The cross-dressing adds no extra shock to their antics with an inflatable doll or the rage at "castrating

As a theatrical trick it is still intriguing, and the performers avoid all the "arms akimbo" strutting that makes Principal Boys such a pain. Gailen Manuel's ever-hungry Fatso is engagingly

The Benedetti companionpiece, Peter and the Captain, also directed by Delamere, advances the familiar notion of the bond between inquisitor and victim but adds the cosy suggestion that the torturer is the weaker of the two. It is by way of his children's possible suffering that the final breakdown arrives, not the other way round. Well, perhaps; but the character of the Captain (Mark Carlisle) is too glibly developed to be persuasive and Peter's endurance seems improbable outside the confines of opera. That said, the gaunt, starved intensity of Rufus Sewell's performance is a powerful piece of acting, combining ferocity and gallows humour with a sureness of

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control that will make him an

heroic young Fool in King Lear.



Actresses play dirty-mouthed urchins: Elizabeth Berrington (top) and Cate Withacy in Molina's Y a Otra Cosa, Mariposa



HARDLY any of the dancers taking part in this performance to honour Dame Alicia Markova on her 80th birthday can have seen her dance. But if they had wanted eyewitness accounts, the house was full of people who had watched her many times or even danced with her. They could vouch that for virtuosity, style, feeling and wit there were few to touch her, and certainly nobody to surpass her in the roles that she

made her own. How clever, then, of Carla Fracci to contribute something quite different: three solos after Isadora Duncan in which, in turn, she was full of tragedy to a Beethoven adagio, piously touching to "Ave Maria" and exultantly stirring to the Internationale. How

the Football Club came from a

black female journalist who

pointed out that any half-way

articulate "activist" who emerges

as spokesman for the aspirations

of black South Africa is promptly

whisked off to jail. Those who are

left are effectively leaderless, obey-

ing not wise counsel but some dim

atavistic impulse to root out those

weaker than themselves and pun-

ish them individually for the

John Carlin's documentary con-

tained much testimony of ar-

bitrary punishment: tense voices

rehearsing tales of near-extinction

at the hands of those whom they

had regarded as friends. The

wonder was that they kept return-

ing for more. In a shed behind

Mrs Mandela's house at 8115,

Orlando West, Soweto, a "disci-

plinary committee" sat in judge-

ment of those who were said to

general impotence.

amazing technique and ber sense of music, to dance it probably better than anyone has done since Markova herself. The ensemble dances in Rendezvous came from the Royal Ballet School, an apt reminder that Markova is a great teacher. who has devoted the last quarter of a century, since she stopped

brilliant, too, of Sandra Madgwick

to take a role created for Dame

Alicia, in Ashton's Les Ren-

dezvous, and then, thanks to her

as a 14-year-old prodigy in Diaghilev's company. Nobody, I think, can ever have made more of The Nutcracker than did Markova and her longtime partner, Anton Dolin. Andria Hall, who danced it at the gala, was fortunate indeed to have been coached by the great lady.

performing, to handing on the tradition which she first absorbed

first choreographer, was represented by Merrill Ashley and Adam Lüders from New York City Ballet in a duet from Cha-

summary and brutal, typically

consisting of a lashing with that

redolent symbol of white oppres-

sion, the sjambok. One was forcibly reminded of the gamiest scene

in Wilbur Smith's latest published

fantasy about South Africa, in

which the whip is wielded by a

vengeful harpy with (most im-

Through her lawyers, Mrs

Mandela declined to be inter-

viewed for this grimly persuasive

programme, which sought to

determine her direct involvement

in these and related crimes for

which she will be tried next Feb-

ruary. But the biggest missed op-

portunity was the failure to can-

vass the ethnic minority on the

damage that this brouhaha has

done to the reputation of the

ANC. White South Africans to the

right of Genghis Khan must be

over the moon, as we used to say

in the world of football. Those to

probably) bare breasts.

conne, never seen here before. Fittingly for this special occasion, Nina Ananiashvili and Alexei Fadeyechev showed that the pas de deux from Don Quixote can be done stylishly as well as brilliantly.

Restrictions of space make it impossible to mention all the performers, musicians and colleagues who came to pay their respects. The programme included further reminders of Markova's career, with Le Spectre de la Rose and extracts from Giselle and Swan Lake: great ballets which she illuminated.

Also included, more poignantly, was Dolin's pretty Pas de Quatre, one of the little party pieces which she could make look marvellous. Many present must have seen her in their minds' eye, still soaring miraculously across the stage, still finding absolute perfection of shape, nuance and timing in every George Balanchine, Markova's move, and still effortlessly exerting the charm with which nature blessed her.

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vanced in Winnie Mandela and to the police. Execution was the left will presumably be reexamining their icons to see whether or not they might be fakes after all. It plainly will not do to claim that they have been tarnished by the Press. Football training must be an

excellent way of keeping in trim for those awkward moments when homicidal maniacs come running after one in the streets of Soweto, but it was never explained why this posse of vigilantes had adopted the guise of a sporting club in the first place. One imagined one heard the voice of Colin Moynihan protesting about the image of the game. It was also, in the margin, the worst possible augury for the rosy feminist fantasy of pacific matriarchy. After such a brutal regime under the aegis of a Godmother, the "movement" would do well to instal a Chelsea supporter.

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HOUSE

CINEMA GUIDE **NEW RELEASES**

by Paul Schrader. Curzon Maytes (071-499 3737).

DR M (18): Alen Bates as a mysterious tycoon who induces Berliners to commit suicide Uneven, quirty thiller from Claude Chebrol, inspired by the paranoid world of

LOVE HURTS (15): Family tribulations

over a wedding weakend. Damp comed drame bogged down in cliches, perisally

redeemed by persussive performences. Director Bud Yorkin, with Jett Deniels.

Carsons: Totterheim Court Roed (071-636 6148) Pamon Street (071-930 0631) Fulhern Roed (071-370 2636).

Lesie Melsen as the rescuing priest 80

 AN ANGEL AT MY TABLE (15): Jene
 An Angel At MY TABLE (15): Jene
 Andrew Strategy Strategy (15) New Cempion's excellent film abo Zeniand writer Janel Frame. Barbican (071-638 8891) Mc

BLUE STEEL (18): Tough, blood-spatiered poice thiller with a terminist stant

LI THE SHATPLAT PARTY: Signed Expensions's rewell of Parter's first three exter finds the comedy but means the menoce. The Place, 17 Due's Road, WCI (071-387 0031) Underground/SR Euston Mon-Sat, 7 45pm Running time, 2hrs 30mms, Enda

Ci BOOKENDS: Disappointingly empty tale of two literary blokes: Michael Hordern and Dinsdale Landen try to find some content. Apollo. Shaftesbury Avenua. W1 (071-437 2863) Underground Pocadility Mon-Fri, Spm. Sat, 8,30pm, mai Sat, Spm. Rutning time. 2hrs.

Gritin's paronising view of the mentally II-actuated Fire acting with Steve 'Gutterbarg Transler from Hampstead. Comedy Theatre Person Street. SM1 (07) 807 1045; Underground Piccadilly Mon-Thurs. 8pm, Frl. Sat. 8.30pm, mata Frl, Sat. 5.30pm, Rumang Intel 2hrs 10mins.

D BURNING PATIENCE: Edied Chies post Pablic Neruda helps his postri the innkeaper's daughter; gravely

cheming love-story. Soho Poly, Riding House Street, W1 (071-636 9050) Underground Oxford Circus, Mon-Sat, Spin. Running time. Zhrs. Urtill

☑ ETTA JENKS: Miranda Richardson as

Li E 1TA JEHRS: Meanda Hociaroson as the soiled herome of American poin; strong play by gifted new writer, Martane Mayer. Royal Court, Stoane Squere, SW1 (071-730 1745/2554) Underground Stoane Sque Mon-Sat, Sprii, mai Sat, 4om Running time. 2hrs. Ends December 15.

☐ GASPING: John Gordon Sinclair and Li GASHNO: John Gordon Sinder and Jim Carter in 8en Blon is greenet comedy. Rather over the top but tots of taughs. Theatre Royal, Haymentet. 5917 (071-830 8800) Underground. Pocadilly Most Spm, Frl. Sat. 6.30pm, mai Sat, 5pm.

HAMLET: Cheek by Jord's whiring, snaring hero (Timothy Walker) is not to all tasses though the production contains

Underground Hammersmith Mon-Sat, 7:30pm. Running time. Stris. Ends December 15.

an erwyst on me seus. Old Red Llon St John's Street, N1 (071-637 7816) Underground Angel Tues-Sun, 8pm. Rurining isme 2hrs Until December 15.

Peter derretories in Sense coy a unager-provolung play about landy bernyats. Vaudeville, Strand, WC2 (071-836 9987). Underground, Chering Cross Mon-Fri, 7-45pm,

THEATRE: Continuing its two-week residency, the group presents programme two, with Kim Brandstrup's Olivier award-winner, Orleo,

the London premiere of a new work by Jonathan Lunn and Dan Wagonar's Tutles all

C HIDDEN LAUGHTER: Felicity Kendal,

LONDON CONTEMPORARY DANCE

COUTNEY PINE: Pine does not display the originality of the Shepperd and William contemporaries but nonetholess stands out as one of the most statul saxophorist

here emerged in recent years. He is paned tonight by the Peredee Reggie Band. Underworld, Camden High Street, London NW1 (071-267 3626), Sprn.

re? Union 212's neatly staged analysis of

THE HEALER: Who shall doctor the

ring time. 2hrs 30mms

THE BOYS NEXT DOOR: Tom

[] THE BIRTHDAY PARTY: Shared

0757) Renot (071-837 8402).

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CURRENT

REPOSSESSED (15): Rude, silly spool of The Express, with Linda Stair of the devil's grip,

Germen director Fritz Lang. Cennon Shaftesbury Avenue (071-836 6279).

THE SIG PICTURE (15): Genial settre on Geoff Brown's assessment of films Hollywood movemeting from two skinni & This is Spiral Fap, Christophei Guest and Microsol McCosh, with Kevin Becon ée a you in London and (where indicated with the symbol () on release director on the make. Carnons: Tottenham Court Road (071-636 6148) Fulhern Road (071-370 2636).

from director Kethryn Bigelow Jame Lee COME SEE THE PARADISE (15): Alan Parker's remerter channel about the America treatment of the Japanese after Pearl Harror, nendsomely mounted, though the script apraids and the director needs calming down West Derres Clusd.
Odeon Heymarket (071-839 7997). Curtis stars as a rooke cop embro Currios says as a form Currios Oxford Street (071-636 0310) Oceans: Kenengton (071-602 6644/5) Mezzenine (071-630 6111) Prince Cruntes (071-437 8181).

THE COMPORT OF STRANGERS (18):
Ruper Everet and Name's Referenced modeling around Versica, learning region of the weight Christopher Welken Laboricu psychological drame. From lan McEweh's small William In-Visional Poters and deserted DARKMAN (15): Liem Neeson 88 9 siguited scientes seeking revenge on the inninets responsible Horror extravaganza ym director Sem Raimi, entivened by tongue-chesk wil and visual flamboyance

♦ THE EXCHCIST III (18): Unwanted, threadbare secuel which tries to make up in renting eating what it lacks in shocks.

Carmons: Chelese (071-352 995)

Haymarten (071-639 1527) Oxford Street (071-636 0310) Whiteleys (071-792 3303/3324).

♥ FLATLINEHS (15): Kiefer Sutherland, Julia Roberts and Kevin Bacon as medical students probing the boundaries between death and the Director, Joel Schumacher. Carmons: Criefsea (071-325 506) Shaftesbury Avenue (071-836 8861) Odeons: Kensington (071-602 6644) Mazzenine (071-530 6711) Swiss Cottage (0426 914 098) Whiteleys (071-792 3303/3324). ♦ FLATLINERS (15): Kiefer Sutherland

♦ THE PRESHMAN (PG): Quirly, uneven sport of The Godisther, with Marion Brando as the mobeler wino hires a New York fair student (Matthew Brodenck) as a delivery-boy. Odeons: Kensington (071-602 6644/5) Swiss Conage (071-722 5005) Screen on Baker Street (071-635 2772).

♦ GHOST (12): Jeny Zucker's THE SHELTERING SKY (18): A challing novel (by Paul Bowles) filmed with a warmin wausi sweep by Bernardo Bernolucci. John Malkovich and Dabra Winger play America tourate in North Almas, drifting into moral rong while it lests. none: Beker Street (071-935 9772) Fulham Road (071-370 2636) Empire (071-497 9998) Whiteleys (071-792 3303/3324). conspitor and rightmare. Odeon Leicester Square (071-930 6111).

→ GOODFELLAS (18): Martin Scoresee's gangster epic following a New York hoodium's dee and tell Ray Lioria is easily outgurned by the supporting players: Joe Pesci, and VAMPIRE'S KISS (18): Women bites Attentions iterary agent, agent becomes varigate Authorism of norms, consist varigate Authorism of norms, consists and preparation of the Authorism of the Auth pert De Niro. repost Up reno. Camden Parkway (071-257 7054) Carnon Fulham Roso (071-370 2536) Curson West End (071-439 4805) Screen on Baker Street (071-835 2772) Whiteleys (071-792

HENRY AND JUNE (18): Anale Nin's passoners atter with Henry Miller in behavior director Philip Kaulman. Candon Pulhar Report (171-370 2536) Empire (171-497 9999) Screen on the Green (171-25 3520) Whateleys (171-792 3393/3594)

A MAN ESCAPED (U): Hearlening revival of Robert Bresson's Sustern, competing My first released in 1957 — based on the experiences of a French Resistance worker

wickedly immic comedly of manners set among New York's debutantes and preopes over one Christmae holintes. New York's debutantes and preopes over

MO' BETTER BLUES (15): Spike Lee's tele of a self-absorbed New York jazz pieser (Derzel Westington). The bustling atmosphere weeps the Rim firely.
Plaza (071-467 9999)

THE MUSIC TEACHER (U): Beigner tale of a retired opera singer (José van Dam) training two new epot competition. Promisgenteel, Orrector, Gérard Cortheu. Minema (071-235 4225).

♦ MY BLUE HEAVEN (PG); Steve Martin as an incomplishe climined placed under the wing of a still-necked FB sejent (Rick Morans) Overstretched recession. Viorens) Overstretched comedy Namer (071-439 0791).

NIKITA (18): Grandinee, emoty thriller from French wonderboy Luc Besson about a purk drug fiend (Arme Panlaud) recrused by the government as a secral agent.
Camden Pisza (071-485 2443) Cannon Tottlerham Court Road (071-896 6148)
Cnetsea Cirema (071-351 3742) Premiere (071-439 4470).

PRESUMED INNOCENT (15): Alem Pakuta's riveting, thoughtful version of Scott frow's besteeller, with Herrison Ford and

Heymerius 10. 636 0310) Werner (071-53: 073 Whiteleys (071-792 3303/3324 TEENAGE MUTANT NINJA TURTLES (PG): Norsy, charmless feature-length abrent for the new pop culture lad, full of martial key, stereotyped vil gloom, and product references. Cannon Cheises (071-352 5098) Notting Hill Coronet (071-727 6705) Odeons: Kensington (071-602 6644/5) Martie Arch (071-723 2011) Swiss Comage (0425 914 08) West End (071-930 5252/7615) Whiteleys

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♦ WILD AT HEART (18): David Lynch's rolicium tale of psychotic evil and secure passion. Staming Nicries Cage. Cannon Piccadilly (071-437 3551) Gate

♦ YOUNG GUNS II — BLAZE OF GLORY (12): Emilio Estevez's "Billy the Kid" leads the bratipack in another glossy. Western amed at ternogen new to the game. Not a patch on the older firms if echoes. Cannon Panton Street (071-930 0631)

THEATRE GUIDE Jeremy Kingston's assessment of

current theatre in London House full, returns only ☐ Seats at all prices

Sat, 8.30pm, mate Wed, 3pm, Set, 5pm. Running time. 2hrs 15mins. ☐ INTO THE WOODS: Sandheim's witty on the mount of the state of th

JUST SO: Just a so-ec musical on the Kinting tales songs pleasant, costumes charming, story oddly pale. Thicycle, 259 Kilburn High Road, NWS (071-328) 1000). Underglound Kilburn, M Spm, Ret Sat, 4pm. Running time: 2hrs 30mms. Ends January 12.

El MISS JULIE: Powerful, subtle performences in Strandberg's drama of social climbing and sexual alumning. Grammych, Croom's Hill, SE10 (081-858 7755). British Reit Greenwich. Mon-Set, 7.45pm, met Set, 2.30pm. Running time 2hrs 35mins. Ends Saturday.

THE MYSTERY OF IRMA VEP: Spoot Gothic insectame, ranging between the farcically funny and the feebly frantic. Andessadors, West Street, WCZ (071-836 6111) Undergound: Leicester Square. Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Thurs, 3pm, Set, 4pm. Running time: 27rs.

LI NO OME SEES THE VIDEO: Calia traile, Stephen Tomplaneon in Martin C well-informed if patchy glimpse at the moral voids in market research. moral voids in market research. Theatre Upstairs, Royal Court Theatre, Scene Square, SW1 (U71-730 2554). Underground Stoere Square, Mon-Sat 7.30pm, mat Sat, 3.30pm. Run

☐ OUT OF ORDER: Donald Sinden puffs, Michael Williams panics, in latest Ray Cooney Alichae weening plants, in leasan hay son and farce over-plotted, under-developed. Shetheabury, Sheheabury Avenue, WC2 (071-379 5399) Underground: Holborn, Mon-Born, Set, B.30pm, mets Wed, 2.30pm, Set, 5.30pm. Running time. 2hrs 15mins.

PRIVATE LIVES: Kelth Bexter, Joen ZI PROVATE LIVES: Roth Berter, Joan Collins and Sara Crowe in Coward's comedy. Aldwych, Aldwych, WC2 (071-836 6404). Underground Covent Garden, Mon-Fr, Spm, Sal, 8.30pm, mate Wed, 3pm, Sat, 5pm. Hunning time: 2hrs 15mins.

TODAY'S EVENTS

ORANGERIE ITALIANA 1990: Leading international dealers specialising in Italian works of art will reveal a penopty of Italian treasures in a new yearly festival celebrating tressures in a new yearly festival celebratis the notinees of Italian fine art and artiques Accedemie Italiana, 24 Rutland Gate, London SW7 (071-225 3474), 10am-6pm

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THE ROCKY HORROR SHOW: Rescous and wild, bold and beams; sometim dealening rock musical. Piccadility Denman Street, W1 (071-887 1118) Underground Piccadility Circus. Mon-Thurs, 9pm, Fri. Sat, 7pm and 9.15pm. Running latter 1hr 30mms.

SCENES FROM A MARRIAGE: Alen Wyndham's, Charmy Cross Road, WC2 (U7) 857 11(5), Underground Lecester Square, Mon-Sat. 8pm, mats Thurs, 3pm, Sat, 4pm, Running time. 2ms 20mins.

THERESA: Julie Peacet's harsh. Channel Islands govern.
The Gerage, Dennington Park Road, off West End Lane, NW6 (071-431 0345). Underground: West Hampstead: Mon-Thurs, Set. Sun, 8pm. Running time: 90mins. Until December 15.

☐ TO: The bustle of Lancashire pub life unevenly caught by Jim Cartweght's roletranspart caugh by sale carrierprit a low-swapping cast of two. Young Vitz, 86 The Cut, SE1 (071-928 5363). Underground/BR: Waterhou. Tues-Sat, 730pm, mail Sat, 3pm. Running time: 1br 35mins. Ends December 22. LONG RUNNERS: Absurd Person

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Ticket information on member theatres supplied by Society of West End Theatre

Gorchakov. Kurt Mesur conducts. Festival Hall, South Bank Centre, London SE1 (071-928 8800), 7.30pm. AUSTRALIAN CHAMBER

ORCHESTRA: Gustanst John Williams and conductor Richard Hockor share the podium in a mored programme which features Williams in the first British performance of Peter Sculifforpe's Avairangie Concerts for Guitar and Viercello's Guitar Concerts. Queen Elizabeth Half (as above), 7.45pm.

THE REAL DON JUAN: A new collaboration between the Oxford Stage Company and Northern Stage of Zonila's classic play previews from bright. Riverside Studios, Crisp Road, London W6 (081-748 3354), Sprn.

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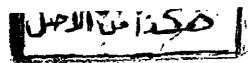
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4.35 Now Then: Children of the Caves. CHOICE: An archaeology senes for children starts at a cave near Tenby in west Wales, where they are excavating a settlement from the Stone Age. Two local children join resident hosts Tony Gregory and Paul Birbeck to meet the director of the dig and look over the artefacts. Himself an archaeologist, Gregory is an enthusiastic guide and seasoned television presenter Birbeck is an artist, on hand to draw the site as it might have been 12,000 years ago.

But the main novelty of the formal is to infroduce two more voungsters as time children" dressed in the clothes of the period, and got them to swap notes with the modern kids. The idea is lo underline differences between now and then, with the Stone Age children revealing their ignorance of mathematics, watches, sandwiches and chocolate it is a friendly show which wears its knowledge lightly

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> ● CHOICE This encounter between the greatest living Australian and the only man to make it from B movies to the While House was not available for previewing, but it promises much. On the face of it. Ronnie might have difficulty filling the 50 minutes, given that he was apparently unable to say anything as president that had not been written for him and fed into the autocue. The indications are that James will go easy on the old guy and stick with sale subjects, such as Mrs Thatcher The show was recorded a week before the Conservative leadership battle but you can still expect



Encounter: Reegan (left) and James (9.30pm)

a glowing Reagan tribute to his old friend. The interview also covers the assassination attempt which threatened to end the Reagan presidency only three months after it had started. The great communicator's memory of this incident turns out to be rather sharper than of the subsequent iran-Contra affair Wales. Week in Week Out, 10.00-10.50 Clive James Meets Ronald Reagan 10.20 From the Heart of the World; The

Elder Brothers' Warning. ◆ CHOICE An ample documentary from northern Columbia offers a rare glimpse of the reclusive Kogi tribe, descendants of a civilisation that went into hiding 400 years ago and has hardly been seen since, certainly not on television. Thanks to an intermediary, the producer Alan Ereira was able to take a carnera crew to the Kogis' mountain retreat and make irst-hand contact with a culture that owes nothing to the 20th century Apart, that is, for a concern about the environment, articulated by the Kogi priests who accuse the rest of us of having brought the world to the edge of destruction. As if to concur, Ereira shows grave robbers on another part of the mountain hoping to find the gold that will make their fortune. The price of Kogi co-operation is a certain distancing, with their words being spoken by British actors and a incence about their family life. But there is much fascinating material. Water: 10.50-12.20am From the Heart of the World 11,50 Weather

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and David Daker (Oracle) 10.00 News with Alastair Burnet and Trevor McDonald Weather 10.30 Thernes News and weather

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CHOCE Paul Sykes from

Wakefield was good enough to fight for
the British heavyweight boxing
champorship, and to take an Open
University degree, and his

"International won an Arthur Koestler autobiography won an Arthur Koestler literary award. But his life has been a shambles. He has spent nearly half of his 46 years in prison and he has a wild and violent temperament which has often made his high intelligence count for nothing Nick Lord's profile follows Sykes through his latest prison sentence and his attempts yet again to build a stable life outside. The signs are not promising Within three months he is back in trouble. A specialist in roaning invective, a Yorkshire Alf Gamett in manner if not necessanily in substance. Sykes is a nch

subject and Lord does him justice. Those looking for the roots of Sykes's behaviour may find them in his tough upbringing at the nands of a martinel father who, of all things, worked as a prison officer



Literary heavyweight: Paul Sykes (10.40pm)

11 40 Prisoner Cell Block H 12.30am The New Avengers. The world's greatest assassin conceals himself in the shadow of the Enfel Tower (r)

 1.30 Video View. Presented by Manella Frostrup includes an interview with actor Rutger Hauer, good news for fans of Greta Garbo, and the latest under the present and the latest and videos to rent and buy 2.00 World Chess. Raymond Keene examines the performance of the English team in the 29th Chess Olympiad Plus the latest news on the

bartle for the world title between Casparov and Karpov

2.15 60 Minutes. The topical American news magazine

3.10 Donahus. Phil Donahue talks to the veteran rock star Phil Collins 4.00 Entertainment UK

5.00 ITN Morning News with Brends Rowe Ends at 6.00

8.00 News 8.15 Westminster. Roundup of business

BBC 2

from the Lords and Commons 9.00 Sportz Crazy. A look at some bizarre Australian sports (r) 9.40 Film: Up in Mabel's Room (1944, b/w). Routine bedroom farce staming Marjorie Reynolds and Dennis O'Keete. A young professor has to retrieve some incriminating evidence from a former girlfnend's room. Directed by Allan Dwan

11.00 After Hours. Magazine programme which looks at the latest trends in America. Includes a leature on the pop band Duran Duran 11.15 Chris Serie's Summer Season:

Penny Hedge. Chris Serie gets to the bottom of an ancient ceremony at the fish market in Whitby, Yorkshire (r). Northern Ireland: 11.15-11.35 Ulster in Focus

11.25 The Pop Shop. Diane Kemp finds out why the pawnbroker is making a comeback in Britain (r) 11.55 The Breaking. How a young Arab

stallion is broken in (r)
12.05 Mosaic. Two films of which the first, Black, traces the history of racism in Britain. Followed at 12.55 by Racism, a 16 Up repeat in which young black people talk about their experiences (r) 1.20 Greenctaws (r) 1.35 See Hear! (r)

2.00 News and weather, followed by Where Were You on the Day War Broke Out? A review of the 24 hours preceding the start of the second world var at midnight on Sunday

September 3, 1939 (r) 2.50 Holiday Outings. Phillip Schofield investigates a multi-activity holiday in the French Alps (r) 3.00 News and weather, followed by Westminster Live. The day's business in the Lords and Commons, including prime minister's question time 3.50 News and weather. Regional

news and weather
4.00 Catchword. Paul Coia hosts the word game

4.30 Behind the Headlines. With Robert Robinson, Loyd Grossman and guests 5.00 Advice Shop: Out in the Country. A special edition from Somerset reports on the spread into the countryside of traditionally inner-city problems such as eness and unemployment

5.30 The Travel Show Guides: Normandy. (Ceefax) (r) 6.00 Film: Seven Cities of Gold (1955). Richard Egan, Anthony Quinn and Jeffrey Hunter star in a dull costume drama about the Spanish conquistadors expedition from Mexico to annex California, and its search for the seven crises. Directed by Robert D. Webb 7.40 Prisoners of Conscience. Claire Rayner relates the first of two stories

7.45 Assignment: Korea - Making Up Is Hard To Do. After the reunification of Germany, North and South Kores are contemplating a similar path. Veteran Asia-watcher Brian Berron reports from the staunchly pro-Western society in the south and the communist

regume in the north 8.30 Food and Drink. Antony Worrall-Thompson, chef at London's 190 Queensgate, cooks up a feast; Spanish wines come under the scrutiny of Oz Clarke; and ideas for

Christmas desserts from France 9.00 Twin Peaks. The murky waters of David Lynch's mysterious soap remain. Agent Cooper (Kyle MacLachk goes undercover at One-Eyed Jack's, and Dr Jacoby (Russ Tambiyn) gets a call from beyond the grave. (Ceetax)

9.50 The Sentence. The often revealing documentary "senal" filmed at Glen Parva Young Oftenders institution in

10.20 283 Useful ideas from Japan: Traditional Japanese packaging
10.30 Newshight with Jeremy Paxman
11.15 The Late Show. A painting by
Jasper Johns recently fetched \$17million
at auction. Matthew Collings finds
out why 11.55 Weather

12.00 Prisoners of Conscience. Claire Rayner with the second of tonight's 12.05am Behind the Headlines (r). Ends

at 12.40

4.20 Romance. A Polish animation about an ill-fated romance between a 2-D man and 3-D flower

4.30 Fifteen-to-One. Quiz show hosted by William G Stewart 5.00 Owl TV. Michaela Strachan presents the last programme in the nature senes

5.30 Same Difference. The series that tooks at issues affecting people with disabilities examines the problem of obtaining equipment through Social

6.00 A Different World: 21 Candles American cornedy series about the careers and adventures of students and teachers at Hillman College

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the end of the Stone Age, sends the writer Peter Ackroyd on a visit to Southwark and investigates the excavation and conservation of pre-Roman bronze buckets, used in

cremation bural 8.30 Sufism The Heart of Islam - Living Sufism. The first in a three-part series exploring Sutism sometimes described as islamic mysticism. Filmed mainly in Egypt and the United States, the first episode opens in Texas, where a community of 300 Sufis is led by American-born Shaykin Abu Ali

Fattash 9.00 Aids Now: Is There Going To Be a Heterosexual Epidemic? Updated repeal of a documentary on how the Aids virus is spreading among heterosexuals. There is also a report on how Edinburgh is coping with 2,000 HIV-positive drug users and a look at the relatively low rate of infection among

10.00 Olive (1987) Moving and affectionate television film written by Anthony Wheeler in Inbute to his late wife, the South-African born actress Ofive Bodill, showing how a marriage of opposites copes with the challenge of impending death Starring Kerry McGuire and Nick Tate Directed by Stephen Wallace

11.45 It's Showtime at the Apollo. The last show in the series from the Apollo Theatre in Harlem, hosted by the Weather Girls With New York comic Kim Coles and singer Keith Sweat 12.45am Lonesome Pine Specials. Texan

Lyle Lovett and his band play country music reflecting a mix of rural and urban influences. Ends at 1.50

TTV VARIATIONS

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slam, USA: Shaykh Abu Ali Fettash (8.30pm)

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6.30 Vic Reeves Big Night Out. The flamboyant comedian with more guests and comedy sketches (r) 7.00 Channel Four News

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RADIO 3

6.55am Weather and News Headlines 7.00 Morning Concert: Delius (in a Summer Garden: Weish National Opera Chorus under Mackernes; Tippett (Little Music for string orchestra: Academy of St Marun-in-theields under Marmes

7.30 News 7.35 Morning Concert (cont): Purcell (Ode: Come, Ye Sons of Art: Norma Burrowes, soprano, James Bowman, Charles Brett, counter-ten Robert Lloyd, bess, Early Music Consort, Trevor Pinnock, harpsicord)

8.30 News
8.35 Composers of the Week:
Saint-Saëns (Allegro
appassionato, Op 70: JeanPhilipe Cotland, piano, RPO
under Previn: Etuda in torme
de valse, Op 52 No 6. Magdo
Toelekstro, grano: Ransoda Tagliaterro, piano; Rapsode d'Auvergne, Op 73. Jean-Philipe Collard, piano, RPO evan Friides, Op 111 Nos 1 and 6 François-Rene Concerto No 2 in G minor, Op 22: Artur Rubinstein. delphia Orchestra under Omnandy)

9.35 Morning Sequence: Haydin (Quarter in D, Op 20 No 4: Quartuor Mosaiques: Mozart (Concert Aris: Ah, Lo previdir, Ah t'imada and contin mas M Ah, t'invola agi occhi mei (K 272): Lene Lootens, soprano, La Petite Bande under Kunken); Robert Saxton ircles of Light: London riometta under Knussen): Mozart (Concert Ana: Miserol O sogno, o son desto? (K 431): Christoph Prégardien, tenor, La Petite Bande under Kusken); Hayon (Symphony No 93 in D: Orchestra of the 18th Century under Brugger 11.15 Concert in Hanley, BBC PO under Kakhidze performs

Theying Magpie), Chopin (Pano Concerto No 1 in E minor); Tchaikovsky (Symptony No 5 in E minor) 1.00pm News 1.05 St David's Hall Lunchtime Concert Vantough String Couartet performs Mozart (Quartet in C, K 486 Dissonance), Janaček (Quartet No 1: The Krautzer Sonata) 2.00 Music Weekly investigates campus composers (1)
2.45 A View from the Tower third

Rossini (Overture: The

giocosa (1st movement) (mono); Symphony No 2; Memorial to Lidice (mono); Sining Quertet No 7 (Concerto da camera) (2nd movement); Sinionietta (La Jolla), heterometred with quisic but Interspersed with music by Morley. Scarlatti, Berthoven, Janacca, and Jan Novak.

4.45 BBC Singers at Malvern Priory, with John Poole conducting, and Jan London.

5.30 Marriy for Pleasure: Anthony Burton takes a musical journey. from dawn to dusk 7.00 News 7.05 Third Ear Natalie Wheen talks to poet, dramatist and musician Michelene Wandor

perform Holinboe (Laude, anima mea; Domine, non superbri), Poulenc (Quatre motets pour un temps de paritience), Werte (Trees: UK

whose most recent play. The Courtier, the Prince and the Lady, is broadcast this Finday on Radio 3 7.30 Liszi Waltzes: Leslie Howard, piano, performs Valse oubliè No 4: Album Leal in Waltz Form (S 166), Mephisto Waltz

7.45 Australian Chember Orchestra under Richard Hickox with under Richard Hickox with John Witkams, gustar, performs the Foueer Elizabeth Hall, London: C P E. Bach (String Symphony No 5 in B minor); Biper (Battalia); Marcello, air Williams (Guitar Concerto in D minor); (B.20interviewed by Nicholas Kenyon): Sculthorpe ("Nourlangre" Concerto for

gurtar, Haydin (Symphony No 64 in A) 9.30 Drama Now Turtle Neck by Steve May Although Kerth seems a cheerful man, Dawn is suspicious of him — and what is more, there is a peculiar smell coming from the basement. With Christopher Fambank as Kerth, Doreen Farbank as Kerm, Doreen Mantie as Dawn and Susan Shendan as Girl; other parts played by Deniefle Affan, Tirnothy Bateson, Nigel Carrington, Stephen Garlick, James Greene, Ehzabeth Kelly, James Smittons and endiew Wincott Cretiew Wincott 10.45 Mozari and Schumann Krzysztol Śmietana, violan, and John Elakely, piano, perform Mozari (Sonata in B ilat, K

454) and Schumann (Sonata in A minor, Op 105) (r) 11 30 Commiser of the Weet So

RADIO 4

(s) Stereo on FM 5.55am Shipping Forecast 6.00 News Briefing; Weather 6.10 Farming Today 6.25 Prayer for the Oay 6.30 Today, incl 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 News 6.55, 7.55, 8.57 Weather 9.00 News 9.00 News 9.05 Call Nick Ross: 071-580 4411

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Nigel Bætey takes an anthropological ramble up Mount Kelimutu in Indonesia (3 of 5) (s) 12,00 News; You and Yours 12,25pm Quote . . . Unquote: The popular quotation game, this week with Bel Mooney, Dilly Keane and John Julius Norwich (s) 12.55 Weather 1.00 The World at One

1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55 Shipping Forecasi 2.00 News, Woman's Hour. includes an interview with Helene Donnelly, director of the Data and Archival Damage Control Centre, who explains how she restores documents damaged by water, fire or smoke; a feature on choreographer and performance artist Yolande Snatth, a look at historical novels and how writers

filaternity pay: and an item on the Livelingod Award for peace and human rights 3.00-4.00 Prime Minister's Ouestions (FM only) 3.00 News, Thirty-Minute Theo (LW only) The Turkey Has ■ CHOICE Karoline Leach has written a homble little comedy about guilibility which, despite what the BBC says about it, has about as much to

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4.30pm) (s)
9.45 The Financial World Tonight
(s) 9.59 Weather
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TODAY 14 YEARS AGO. KNOCKANDO YOU REMEMBER?

Labour MP punches carpark attendant. 48 year old Miss Maureen Colquhoun, a servent women's lib supporter, admits hitting the attendant during an argument over a parking ticket. 'I bonked him one in the face' she declares.

Israel with husband No. 6, John Warner, after their marriage at the weekend in Virginia. The nation mourns Benjamin Brittain who

Elizabeth Taylor, 44, goes on honeymoon to

died at the weekend. At the Knockando distillery, another 'Season of Distillation' begins. The pure, natural spirit is poured into oak casks where it slumbers unmolested until the day it is deemed fit to be bottled,

twelve or more years hence. Both dates are recorded on the label. The difference between the two is the age of Speyside's most singular, single malt whisky.



Rising sons at Eton get Japanese teacher

By DAVID TYTLER EDUCATION EDITOR

APART from having to wear an uncomfortable white bow-tie on duty, Masasu Tanaka is enjoying his new job as head of oriental studies at Eton. The post is the first result of a £1 million grant from a Japanese bank.

Wearing a tailor-made morning suit but a secondhand gown, Mr Tanaka, who teaches English at the independent 1,000-boy Musashi high school in Tokyo, is temporarily teaching Japanese to sixth formers and living in the town he first visited as a tourist 15 years ago. "I little dreamed of teaching here at a school that is known all over the world and I will miss it when I go back - for a certain time," he said yesterday.

Mr Tanaka will be joined by his wife and two young children in the spring and will remain at Eton until March 1992 when he will be replaced by one of his colleagues from Musashi, which has regular pupil exchanges with Eton and was asked to provide a full-time language teacher under the scheme financed by the Sumitomo Trust Bank of Tokyo.

"I volunteered to come here," Mr Tanaka said, "but there were other vounteers and many teachers are waiting in line to come." None of them, it seems are intimidated by the prestige of

£10n, where the 1,200 pupils pay £9,000 a year for their education.

"Japan," Mr Tanaka said, "is now a classiess society, but our

its faith in education as an election

winner by choosing it for the first

Neil Kinnock, the Labour lead-

er, launched a booklet setting out

the party's programme, and ac-

cused the government of allowing

educational standards to slip be-

hind the rest of western Europe.

He promised that education and

training would have first call

The party is to send a group of

educationists and employers to

study the best practice elsewhere

in Europe before completing its

Labour's campaigning booklet.

Aiming high, published yesterday,

is a synthesis of statements from

the party's policy reviews. It

proposed an independent edu-

cation standards council to raise

standards, a general teachers'

council to reinforce profess-

ionalism, records of achievement

for all pupils and home school

under a Labour government.

education programme.

of a series of policy campaigns.



Foreign fields: Mr Tanaka with four of his pupils, from the left, Alex Fothergill, Charles Adams, Jeremy Barton and Tim Freeman

ativelty wealthy families and I find no difficulty in being here. Eton has an old-fashioned image

Pupils it seems are the same the world over. "In my school there are some good and some not so

Kinnock launches Labour's

new policy for education

By John O'Leary, Higher education correspondent

contracts to detail the rights and

responsibilities of parents and

teachers. A rigorous system of

teacher appraisal costing £40 mil-

lion would be accompanied by

loyalty bonuses for teachers

completing five years. There

would be nursery places for all

Jack Straw, Labour's education

spokesman, said that the pro-

gramme would require an increase

in education spending, which would be found from central

The booklet set five targets for a

Labour government: four out of

five teenagers to achieve five

GCSE passes at grades A to C

within five years; half of the

relevant age group to pass at least one A-level within 10 years; all 16

and 17 year-olds to be in full-time

education or good quality training

within five years; all 18 year-olds

to be entitled to continue in

training or enter higher education

within 10 years; and student

aged three and four.

government revenue.

but it is not like that."

good, but I expected the pupils here who chose to come on my course to be well motivated: not

'I would expect them to work much harder because of that. You have to work hard now to survive.

numbers in higher education to

Private schools would have to

meet the same targets as the state

sector. Independent schools would

be required to conform to the

national curriculum and would be

subject to inspection for the new

education standards council,

which would replace the schools

inspectorate. The assisted places

scheme, which supports 30,000

children from low-income fam-

ilies at independent schools,

secretary, dismissed the pro-

gramme. Doug McAvoy, general secretary of the National Union of

Teachers, welcomed Labour's

recognition of the need for higher

☐ The Association of Metropoli-

tan Authorities yesterday

launched a programme designed to attract 300,000 women back

into teaching and to encourage

those in the profession to stay.

Kenneth Clarke, the education

double in 20 years.

would be abolished.

teachers' salaries.

hardworking students, but I hope it will improve next term." Mr Tanaka is used to hard work

himself, teaching average classes of 45 pupils each compared to his 16 at Eton. In Japan, too, his day school works from Monday to

centrates on academic achievement to the exclusion of almost

everything else.

He will not be taking any lessons back to Tokyo with him -"it is too different" - but he will be expected to have learned

Yeltsin would refuse Gorbachev job offer

From Mary Dejevsky in moscow

be cloudy at times. Northern Ireland, Wales and much of England will be dry, with scattered showers likely in North-

Eastern coastal areas and parts of Norfolk. Scotland will have

drizzle in the northwest and showers in the north and east. Winds will be mainly light. Outlook: Mostly dry at first, with

BORIS Yeltsin, the president of Gorbachev, denied that there was the Russian Federation, yesterday said that he would not take any post in the Soviet leadership even if President Gorbachev offered him one. His remarks appeared to seal the effective shift of power from the central Soviet authorities to the Soviet republics.

Mr Yeltsin was speaking shortly after he had won the backing of the full Russian parliament for limited private ownership of land in the Russian Federation and indicated that he had now abaudoned the idea of a coalition government of national unity.

Mr Yeltsin has apparently decided to make the most of the power he has and he boasted yesterday that none of his ministers would transfer to the central administration either. "Russia is so big that transferring to the centre would be no promotion," he told a press conference in Moscow last night.

The Russian leader, who has frequently been pitted against Mr

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ABROAD

some drizzle. Becoming windy with rain.

any continued confrontation between them, but said they had very different ideas about the future of Russia. "He (Gorbachev) does not want to give the Russian Federation back to Russia; he wants to keep it for himself," Mr Yeltsin said. He described their relations as businesslike, but emphasised: "I cannot make concessions that would damage Russian sovereignty."

Mr Yeltsin also revealed that he was planning to visit Western Europe, probably Brussels, when the Russian Federation congress was over and would appeal to-Russian emigrés for help in reviving Russia. Drawing an implicit distinction between his approach said: "I won't say 'give, give' but will appeal first of all to our compatriots and to their moral

> Radical step, page 14 Discipline first, page 16

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More grist for the Majorette mill

Political sketch

THE highlight of the parliamentary afternoon, yester-day, ought to have been the spectacle of Douglas Hogg, the noisiest minister since records began, trying to be aggressive when his voice had gone. Laryngitis left the little Hogglet rasping out his message of hate to Saddam Hussein in the tones of one making an obscene telephone call.

But even this failed to cheer. For a minor tragedy had occurred at Welsh Questions. Another dog — an even smaller one — had failed to bark.

It was a tiny creature: just a single syllable: a capital T. This vowel had been due to make a brief appearance in the answer given by a junior minister in the Welsh department — the nice Mr Ian Grist — to question 5 from Kim Howells (Lab, Pontypridd) — about staffing Her Majesty's inspectorate of

Mr Howells had given advance notice of his question, so the answer had been published in advance, too. I had a copy. There were nine inspectors (Mr Grist was due to say). However (he was to conclude), "I (sic) shall keep the position under review." Got that? "I".

A strange sadness had seemed to inhabit Mr Grist from the moment Prayers were over. An air of confident lassitude - the style of a long-time captain of the second eleven — is a hallmark of the Gristian mannamer, but this was different.
"Still," I thought, "hardly
surprising. Mr Grist is sad
because the candidate for whom he was rooting in the leadership contest, Mr Heseltine, has lost" - an explanation which seemed to be born out by the way Welsh Secretary, David Hunt — a fellow-Hestinista — keep glanc-

ing regretfully at his comrade. Hunt wrestled manfully with the great challenges which come a chap's way in the lofty position of secretary of state for Wales. "The access road East of junction 3", he said to Labour's Roy Hughes (Newport E), was in his thoughts, as was "traffic which would otherwise have used the B4245". But even a matter of such universality seemed scarcely to engage him.

His heart wasn't in it. He had evidently sustained a loss. Then came question 5, about the pollution inspectors. I stud. ied my advance text. The minister followed it: "9 inspec-tors," said the text. "Nine inspectors," sighed Mr Grist. "I shall keep the position BTR chief

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"My Rt hon friend will keer

the position ..."
Whoah! What was this? Not "I" then? Laser-like, your sketchwriter's intellect shot straight to the logical concinsion. Grist was about to be fired The Majorettes were taking reprisals on the Heseltinista This was Grist's last cigarette his final question time. Next to him, his brother minister, the elderly Wyn Roberts, after 11% years the longest-serving min. ister in this government breathed heavily: yet again the grim reapers of Downing Street

had passed old Wyn by.

After that, everything seemed tinged with melancholy. Who would replace Grist? I found it hard to concentrate.

Never mind. Soon we would reach question 10. That would ginger things up. Question i0 (about an opting-out request from the Pembrokeshire health authority) came from Nicholas Bennett, the fire-breathing Pembroke Tory. Not a "nice" man at all, in the way that Mr Grist is nice, young Bennett is a snapping terrier of the classies. self-made type that our new PM so much admires. Bennett, you could be sure, would be urging ministers to get their fingers out. He loves attacking from the right. We reached question 10, You could rely on Bennett. He never misses his question ...

Until yesterday. Where was he? Diplomati cally missing? But surely they wouldn't? Oh yes they would "The Queen," said the Downing Street press notice waiting as I left, "has been pleased to approve the following appointments: Welsh Office: Parliamentary Under-

"Mr Ian Grist MP has tendered his resignation."

Secretary of State: Nicholas

Bennett Esquire MP.

MATTHEW PARRIS

Opposition fighting back

Continued from page 1 Neil Kinnock seeing off someone who is alleged to be the most formidably entrenched political leader this century - Margaret Thatcher." Labour MPs regard the speculation about Mr Kinnock as mischievous. There has been no serious talk of his removal, and no-one has come forward publicly to question his position. There has, however, been private criti-

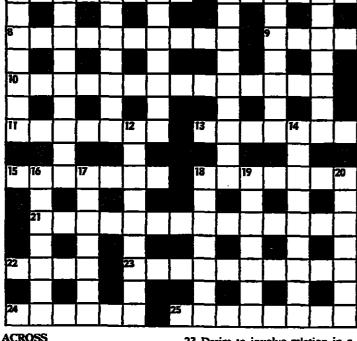
performances. As they begin their fightback against their apparent reversal in fortunes, Labour leaders intend to

cism of his recent Commons

underline the distinctiveness of Labour policies. Mr Hattersley's speech yesterday to a London conference was one of the most strongly pro-European ever delivered by a Labour leader.

He said that Britain could not slow down progress towards European integration. "The choices we face are clear enough. The tide is flowing towards an integrated Europe. We can sail with it, influencing its speed and direction. Or we can allow ourselves to be washed along without even attempting to determine its course and destination."

THE TIMES CROSSWORD PUZZLE NO 18,468



1 One going along through the outskirts of Banbury astride a

donkey? (6-2). 5 A black man perhaps makes his break in jazz (6). 8 This watch may stop running at the seaside (10).

9 80% of poetry in Highland Gaelic (4). say, for a commercial system (4.10). 10 At liberty to introduce reward.

11 Nothing in the solid fuel line for a chef's work? (7). 13 Crooked bookie committed murder, backed by a woman (7).

15 Clumsy and callous? Not he (7).

18 Appendices to Latin study writ-

21 Motor fiends reportedly touch down in old Tasmania (3,7,4). 22 Some vain Casanova in South America once (4).

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23 Desire to involve relation in a pleasure-drive (10). said

ceremonial officer (6). 25 Steps taken by tribe in riverless country (3,5).

Calm setting for the Marshalls

2 A stage cop turns out to be the whipping-boy (9).

3 Most of the following soldiers

are immoderate (7). 4 Pointlessly without courtesy?

5 County draper hasn't finished making a protective cover (4).

6 The sort that's found breaking

7 Dirty old boy appearing on the show (7). 12 Send down from new University? It's a cert! (4). 14 Liszt, for one, depended on a song Nicolai started (4).

French street (7). 17 It gives the ref a bit of rope for using the whistle (7).

18 A couple of maidens from the Continent (7). 19 Get rid of underworld eccentric 20 Not very quick with the advance payment (7).

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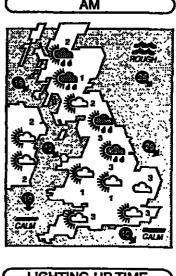
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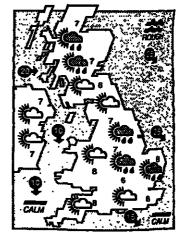
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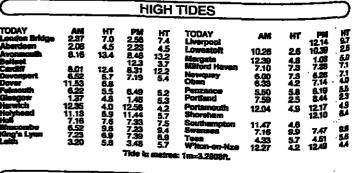
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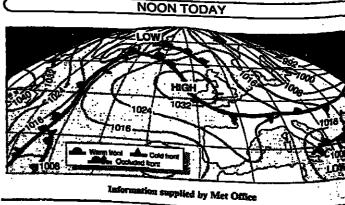
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BTR chief to stand down

JOHN Cahill is to stand down as chief executive of BTR, the industrial conglomerate, after four years. He will be replaced by Alan Jackson, managing director of BTR Nylex, the Australian subsidiary, from

January I.
Mr Cahill, who reached the company's normal retirement age of 60 this year, will remain as a main board director of BTR and chairman of BTR Inc, in charge of the company's North American operations.

City analysts expressed surprise at the timing of Mr Cahill's departure. It coincides with growing concern in the City about prospects for BTR. resulting in a series of downgradings of profit

But Sir Owen Green, the chairman, said speculation about Mr Cahill's position was unfounded. "We wanted to avoid the lame duck syndrome so we made the announcement just one month before he retires."

Dobson steady

Dobson Park Industries, the industrial electronics and mining equipment group, maintained pre-tax profits at £19.5 million (£19.2 million) for the year to end-September, despite rationalisation and restructuring costs of £2.8 million. Earnings fell from 12.09p to 11.32p and the total dividend is maintained at 5.75p with an unchanged final of 3.85p. The company is to seek shareholder approval to buy back up to 10 per cent of its ordinary shares.

Tempus, page 27 Westland rise

Westland has raised its dividend for the first time since it restored payments in 1987. The final dividend is 2.5p (2.25p), lifting the total for the year to end-September 7 per cent to 3.75p. Profits rose 27 per cent to £26.2 million

Tempus, page 27 Tunnel issue

Eurotunnel claimed there was a late surge in investors applying for its rights issue, which closed at 3pm yesterday. A slow start led to fears that much of the £530 million issue might be left with underwriters. The final result may not be known until tomorrow. Fully paid new Eurotunnei units ended unchanged at 315p compared with 318p for existing units. The rights issue was at 285p.

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executive Borrowing on credit jumps to record £4.2bn

By Colin Narbrough, economics correspondent

cord £4.23 billion on credit in October, bewildering City economists and casting doubt on evidence that the govern-ment's squeeze on inflation has reined back spenders.

The £478 million increase in new credit last month contrasted with market expectations of a small decline and took the monthly amount above the £3.98 billion record

set in May.
The Treasury cautioned against reading too much into the figures, especially given the recessionary picture provided by yesterday's final data on retail sales, which con-firmed a fall of 1.1 per cent in October.

But a general increase across the various categories of tage point cut in base rates on slowly, as this form of borrow-October 8, prompted a mixed ing has become easier than

While some were simply perplexed by the credit data, others saw them as cause for concern, as they contradict evidence provided by figures on clearing bank lending, money supply and retail sales. Julien Callow, UK econo-mist at Chase Investment

Bank, said the credit figures suggest that people have spot-ted the turning point in inerest rates and could be building up credit lines again. Gerard Lyons, chief economist at DKB International, saw the credit numbers pointing to a "flight from cash"

cautious interpretation of the monetary data. Consumers may have turned to credit cards, or have credit, which follows a percen- started paying them off more

which gave grounds for a more

Dollar takes a strong line

By Anatole Kaletsky, economics editor

the pound slipped further as dealers reacted to a sudden change in sentiment in the plan a dollar-support operaforeign-exchange markets as well as the continuing tension in the Gulf.

The dollar performed particularly strongly against the yen and the pound, and also made gains, though smaller, against the mark. By early afternoon in New

York, the dollar was trading at pared with Friday's close of Y132.65 and DM1.4965. The pound fell to \$1.9175 and DM2.8995.

The dollar bulls appeared to hint from Alan Greenspan. chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, that the US authorities were becoming concerned about the currency's rapid fall. For the moment, concerns

American economy and the stability of the country's

financial system seemed to be

him a further mouth's grace in

Mr Nadir's courtroom ac-

Peck's administrators. An

by a northern Cyprus court

should be lifted today. The

injunction has prevented the

administrators gaining access

to the company's Cypriot

If the injunction is lifted,

Richard Stone, a Coopers &

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his battle to avoid personal on deposit.

THE dollar rose sharply and Group of Seven leading industrialised countries might hold a meeting next month to tion. German and Japanese sources said there was no chance of this, insisting that the G-7 meeting would concentrate entirely on the financial impact of the Gulf conflict and the economic problems in

eastern Europe. But analysts said there had been a big change in market increasing numbers of traders were talking about a big bull-

This bullish view was upheld when the currency shrugbe impressed by last week's ged off weak economic data published by the National Association of Purchasing Management, which said its index of economic activity fell last month to 41.3 from 43.4.

A reading below 50 indicates that the manufacturing about the weakness of the sector is generally declining American economy and the and the association said that the latest index level pointed to a decline of 0.6 per cent in the fourth quarter's gross nat-There was also talk that the ional product.

Nadir given month's grace

ASIL Nadir, chairman of to discover just how much Mr Nadir. "Mr Asil Nadir has

about up to £200 million being

bankruptcy court means that

Nadir as security, and his

pay off his debts. Mr Nadir has always maintained that he

has assets that would enable

him to repay his debts, al-

though he would require time

Following a 25 minute pri-

vate hearing, a statement was

likely to return immediately to and the two banks seeking to ers Securities, owed £18.5

Mr Nadir's victory in the

Polly Peck International, has money is held on deposit on reached an initial agreement the island. Conflicting and

with his bank creditors, giving confused reports have talked

cord coincided with reports of his creditors have accepted a an important boost for Polly list of assets forwarded by Mr

injunction granted in October plans to dispose of them to

Lybrand Deloitte partner, is issued on behalf of Mr Nadir

northern Cyprus in an attempt recover £22 million owed by million.

CONSUMERS borrowed a re- response among economists. others. The Central Statistical Office said new credit advanced on bank credit cards in October was £2.51 billion, also a record, up from £2.29 billion in September. New credit advanced by finance houses and other specialist bodies to consumers was a record at £1.61 billion, after £1.35 billion.

Ian Harnett, chief economist at Strauss Turnbull, said that despite poor correlation between the credit and retail sales data, the "underlying rise in consumer credit, and the fact that it was across the

board, must be worrying". Credit advanced in the three months to October was £11.68 billion, compared with £11.62 billion in the previous three months, while outstanding credit rose £905 million, after £699 million between May and July. New consumer credit grew I per cent on the three-month comparison. Bank card credit expanded 5 per cent over the same period.

The volume retail sales data showed a 1.1 per cent seasonally adjusted fall in October, adding to the picture of recession seen in other indicators. The retail sales index was set at 121.3, after 122.7 in September. In the latest three months, sales were 1.4 per

cent below the previous three. The credit figures had little impact in the financial markets, but the pound remained under pressure from the stronger dollar and mark.

The outcome of the German elections fuelled sentiment for the mark, as did expectations of the Bundesbank raising interest rates soon. A fall in the oil price also pushed sterling lower. On its trade-weighted index.

the pound ended 93.7, a decline of 0.3 point since Friday's close, after touching 93.9. It closed 2.20 cents down at \$1.9205 and ended 1.29 plennigs lower at DM2.9051. The base rate cut last month had little impact on consumer confidence, with requests for home loans showing a yearon-year fall of 6 per cent last month, after a small rise in September, according to Info-link, the credit reference agency. Retail credit requests were still down 25.1 per cent, having recovered from a 40.8 per cent fall in September.

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reached an agreement with his

main creditors for the pro-

vision of security in connec-

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of his liabilities. Accordingly

today's hearing has been ad-

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By that deadline Mr Nadir

is expected to provide the

banks with a formal security

over the assets involved.

opening the way for the bank-

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later joined by Lehman Broth-

day after January 7."

Talking money: David Money-Coutts, right, chairman of M&G, Britain's biggest unit trust group, with Paddy Linaker, managing director, after a 36 per cent dividend rise to 17p a share for the year to end-September. Mr Money-Courts said the rise reflected confidence even though pre-tax profits grew by only 19 per cent to £28.6 million. Tempus, page 27

change is considering changes

more lay members to sit on

Since the ISE is unlikely to

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THE International Stock Ex- yesterday and the ISE exec-

which will open the way for posals in a few weeks.

More than | ISE may open council 1m want electricity shares

By MARTIN WALLER

ALMOST a million application forms have already been processed for shares in the 12 regional electricity distribution companies, with hundreds of thousands more piling up at the receiving banks.

The offer closes at 21 receiv ing centres around the country at 10 am tomorrow, although completed application forms and cheques can be delivered by 3.30 pm today to high street branches of Lloyds, Barclays, National Westminster, Bank of Scotland, Royal Bank of Scotland and Uister

Applications so far have been almost entirely for shares in the potential investors' own regional companies, for which generous incentives are available

 People applying and paying by means of personal crossed cheques do not need to write their names and addresses on the back, although anyone using third-party cheques and bankers' drafts, must.

This corrects any misties, which is owed £3.6 million by Mr Nadir. It was apprehension arising from yesterday's edition of The Times.

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Gulliver rests from his travels

By OUR CITY STAFF

JAMES Gulliver, the former chairman of Argyll Group, is stepping down from his last chairmanship of a public company, Waverley Cameron, the Edinburgh stationery group, after a reverse takeover by BTS Group, the office equipment concern.

BTS, which is quoted on the Unlisted Securities Market, is being bought for an all-share package that values it at about £4 million. Mr Gulliver will stay on "for a suitable period" to effect the integration of the merger.

But Sanda, his management company, will not receive a performance fee for the current year, while its basic fee of more than £100,000 a year and Mr Gulliver's own management fee will not be payable once the offer is declared unconditional. There is no compensation for the termination of the management con-

There have been reports of dissatisfaction on the part of institutional shareholders over the fees payable to Mr



Standing down: James Gulliver said the reverse takeover had been coming in from BTS. The BTS share price has slid in recent months, from a high of more than 50p a year ago to 20p, up 5p, yesterday.

But Waverley has had the added hindrance of heavy borrowings, which helped force it into a £650,000 loss before tax in the six months to the end of September.

The offer is of 186.5 new Waverley shares for every 100 in BTS. It is accompanied by a warning that poor trading conditions were giving Waverley directors "cause for concern". BTS issued half-way figures to end-September yesterday, which showed pre-tax profits just £5,000 higher at £178,000. As usual, there is no interim dividend.

Mr Gulliver has already stepped down from four quoted company chairmanships since he quit Argyll. They are Lowndes Queensway, the collapsed furnishings retailer, Broad Street, the public relations group, and City Gate Estates and Jacksons Bonrne End, the

New unit trusts plan is attacked By Graham Searjeant

THE Securities and Investments Board has proposed weeping changes in unit trust rules that will allow new types of fund to be marketed, specialising in warrants, prop-erty, and futures and options. The funds could be marketed like conventional unit trusts, investing in quoted shares, but with some restrictions or warnings about risk.

The consultative paper brings together earlier pro-posals by the SIB and the trade and industry department. The widening of the scope of unit trusts reflects changes allowed under the European Community directive on collective

investment schemes (UCITS). M&G, Britain's biggest unit trust group, strongly criticised the principle of bringing riskier investments into unit trusts. David Money-Coutts, the chairman, said: "If implemented, these develop-ments run the risk of harming the good name of unit trusts.

Paddy Linaker, M&G's managing director, said: "It is a nonsense to call these unit trusts." He said that liquidity for investors to get their money back when required was an essential feature of unit trusts, which would be compromised in trusts investing directly in property. Futures and options funds would be too speculative.

Under the SIB proposals, property funds would be allowed to invest directly in land or buildings, as well as property shares, but could also put up to 35 per cent of their funds into liquid investments, such as gilt-edged. They would need to carry a warning over liquidity.

Two types of fund could be created for futures and options. The first, which could be sold like ordinary unit trusts but not by cold-calling investors, would not be able to gear up by paying only a margin on a contract. The more risky, which could not be sold through coupons in newspapers or by cold-calling, could use 10 per cent of the fund in geared investments, enabling the fund to be geared up to 30 times. But only 2 per cent of the fund could be put

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into any single speculation. Under the regulations, in-vestors could only lose 100 per cent of their money and could not be called on to put in more

money to cover losses. Warrant funds will have the same marketing restrictions as geared futures funds.

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to raise dividend

By MARTIN BARROW

BIRMINGHAM Mint Group, the coin minting group and specialist engineer, has promised to increase its full-year dividend from 5.5p a share to against a £12.2 million cash bid by IMI, the Midlands engineer that operates Britain's only other private sector

The pledge was made after Birmingham Mint reported better than expected pre-tax profits of £1.33 million for the six months to end-September, compared with losses of £599,000 for the first half of the previous financial year, and earnings of 7.7p a share, against losses of 2.7p. The interim dividend rises from

0.5p to 2.5p.

Birmingham Mint also announced the disposal of Nevin Lonsdale, its loss-making printed circuit board business. to Landtrax for an initial £550,000, with a further £200,000 due if certain profit targets are met.

Group profits were struck after an exceptional credit of £550,000 arising from the sale of the company's head office, against a charge of £507,000 last time. Extraordinary losses of £1.06 million relate principally to Nevin Lonsdale.

Birmingham Mint shares were unchanged at 82p, against IMI's offer of 85p. Tony Cross, chairman of Birming-ham Mint, said: "The IMI bid entirely fails to recognise the company's recovery potential or the substantial incremental profits which could be earned from putting the two minting businesses together."

Gary Allen, chief executive of IMI, said that Birmingham Mint's promise of an increased dividend was "irresponsible action in the face of a

The Office of Fair Trading has until December 24 to deliver its report on the proposed merger.

COMPANY BRIEFS

ACAL (int) Pre-tax: £2.16m (£1.99m) Sales grew to £30.8m (£24.3m). Operating profits rose to £2.52m EPS: 10.1p (8.4p) Div: 1.8p (1.56p) (£2.1m), but interest payments increased to £439,000 (£186,000). FABER PREST (Fin) Pro-tax: £4.63m (£4.67m) The operating margin improved to 6.6 per cent (6 per cent), despite sales reduced to £85.7m (£90m). EPS: 34.55p (32.47p) Div: 7.7p mkg 12p (9.2p) Extraordinary costs of £607,000. MARINA DEVELOPMENTS Interim results. Group said tradino Pre-tax: £2.18m (£2.80m) at its marinas continued at a EPS: 10.5p (10.9p) consistent level throughout summer

Div: 5p (5p) FLAGSTONE HLDGS (Int) Pre-tax: £410,000 loss LPS: 0.30p (EPS: 0.28p)

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ROLFE & NOLAN (Int) Pre-tax: £661.000 EPS: 8.0p (6.4p) Div: 2.1p (1.6p) **DUNDEE & LONDON INV** Pre-tax: £2.79m (£2.44m) EPS: 12.22p (10.70p)

dividend was 7.1p. The net asset value fell to 249p (319p). Total revenue climbed to £3.05m (£2.71m). Div: 8.2p mkg 12p (MAJOR CHANGES) (MAJOR INDICES

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Coin group Alexon fashions a cool £10m US airline City and Westminster despite inclement weather

ALEXON, the women's wear retailer and Marks and Spencer supplier, is weathering the economic downturn better than most fashion retailers but the group says that trading is tough in some divisions. In the six months to end-

September, pre-tax profits rose 14 per cent to £10.6 million on sales up 7 per cent at £80.7 million Earnings per share rose 20 per cent to 23.3p and the dividend is up 20 per cent at

property profit of £1.5 million against £900,000 last time. Peter Wiegand, the group's chairman, said Alexon was still benefiting from the disciplines imposed by the management team in the mid-Eighties when it took over the

6p. There was an exceptional

In addition, the group is small enough to be able to increase its share in a stagnant

Although most retailers are reporting difficult trading conditions for tailored garments, Mr Wiegand says Alexon's customer-base is both loyal and reasonably affluent.

Dash, the leisurewear group which Alexon acquired when it bought Ellis & Goldstein in 1988, is also doing well. Likefor-like sales at both Alexon and Dash are up 13 per cent in the current half. Eastex, the ments, which supplies Marks

chairman of SD-Scicon, the

software group where British

Aerospace has a 25 per cent

stake, is also becoming chief

executive (Philip Pangalos

Scoggins and Geoff Holmes,

the joint chief executives. Mr

Scoggins will become deputy

chief executive, with responsi-

Turnover was £10.4m (£7.77m).

Last time's profit was £587.000.

Company said depressed property market made trading almost

Turnover grew to £33.3m (£29.6m)

Operating profit fell to £4.18m

(£4.26m), while interest costs jumped to £2.38m (£1.37m).

Fully diluted earnings increased

to 7.8p (7.0p). The company said

that continued growth in Europe balanced weaker home demand

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Last time's profit was £268,000.

Last time's profit was £905,000. Engineering division suffered a small loss due to poor demand. Turnover rose to 211.3m (£9.61m).

Last time's profit was £517,000.

within the next two months.

Final results. Last year's total

Turnover grew by 32 per cent to \$2.97m. Company plans full listing

remainder of the year.

improvements are being maintained

Company said it has a healthy order book and is confident about the

impossible, with £250,000 provision.

He is taking over from Ian

surprise market



Model performance: Peter Wiegano, left, with Lawrence Snyder, chief executive

has seen profits decrease in the first half, but the division has heen relannehed with a collection for next spring that has received a good reception so

The manufacturing division made profits of £3.9 million at the operating level, against £3.7 million last time. Sales at Claremont Gar-

Holmes will remain on the

board in a non-executive role.

by the changes and wondered

about British Aerospace's role

if any, in the changes. SD-

Scicon, which made pre-tax

losses of £9.8 million in the

half year to end-June, after

exceptional provisions cover-

ing losses on a number of

fixed-price contracts, recently

announced restructuring

Mr Swinstead said: "It has

been a difficult two years since

the merger of SD and Scicon. I

shall concentrate my efforts on managing the UK business

with a view to returning to the

pattern of continuous revenue

The shares, which traded at

a high of 85p earlier in the

and profit growth."

The market was surprised

brand aimed at older women, and Spencer, were flat in the and the interest charge is first half. The group is reduc- covered more than ten times. ing overheads and improving efficiency in an attempt to

> push up margins. Alexon, which has shops in the Netherlands, Belgium, Switzerland and Scandanavia, is exploring other European markets for both the Alexon and Dash brands.

Gearing at the year-end is likely to be around 20 per cent

Mr Wiegand says: "Within the current retail environment we are determined to maintain our growth in profits. "Consequently, senior man-

agement is being even more aggressive in its approach to cost-cutting and overhead control."

Shares in the group unchanged at 472p.

SD-Scicon changes | Judge spells out firms' pension duty

EMPLOYERS have a duty to confidence between employer act in good faith when making decisions affecting the pension rights of present and former employees, Sir Nicolas Browne-Wilkinson, the Vice-

Chancellor, has said. He ruled that Imperial Tobacco, Hanson's Bristol subsidiary, must not look solely to its own financial interest when deciding whether to consent to future inflation-linked pension increases for the 26,500 members of the £1.3 billion Imperial Tobacco pension fund, which has a surplus of at least £130 million.

The case arose after Imperial Tobacco indicated it would refuse to consent to increases above a 5 per cent ceiling. Sir Nicolas said the company must act in such a way as vear, were unchanged at 26p.

and employee.

The company had denied saying it would refuse future increases above 5 per cent, but that had been the basis on which the fund's management committee had acted and on which it had recommended members to transfer into a

new retirement scheme. The pensions group suspected the company was refusing in order to achieve a transfer of the fund's surplus into its hands. "In the absence of any other explanation, this is a fair inference," Sir Nicolas said. If correct, it would indicate the company was using its right to withhold consent not for the purpose of continuing to use the assets exclusively for pensions but for some other collanot to destroy or seriously teral purpose and damage the relationship of acting unlawfully. teral purpose and it would be

Chapter 11 cover From PHILIP ROBINSON

IN NEW YORK

CONTINENTAL Airline Holdings, formerly Texas Air, has gone into bankruptcy court protection from cred-itors for the second time in seven years, and sold its Seattle to Tokyo route to American Airlines to raise \$150 million.

Soaring fuel costs made Continental unable to pay interest on its \$6.2 billion debts and prompted bankers to end talks aimed at provid-ing the airline with a further \$250 million of credit.

Continental, which owns Eastern Air Lines - under bankruptcy court protection since last year - says the filing, under Chapter 11 of the bankruptcy code, will not Hollis Harris, president and

chief executive, said: "We enter Chapter 11 by necessity. It has temporarily alleviated our debt problem and will help us cope with high fuel costs. It provides us with a breathing space and I have no doubt that we will successfully

Continental estimates this year's fuel bill at \$1.1 billion, up \$231 million since Iraq invaded Kuwait, The October bill to fuel Continental's 338 planes jumped 125 per cent and in November it was still up 90 per cent. But the airline said it would not lay off any of its 37,000 workforce, nor sell any more international routes.

Paul Turk, who runs Avmark, the independent airline consultancy, said: "Everyone is having a terrible year, it is just that Continental has less of a margin to cope with a downturn than others."

Mr Turk added that Continental might seek more cash from SAS, the Scandinavian airline, which almost doubled its stake in Continental last August to 16.8 per cent by buying the 7 per cent from Frank Lorenzo, the out-going chairman. Mr Lorenzo built Texas Air during the Eighties and placed Continental in Chapter 11 protection in 1983 to break the airlines' unions. Pan Am pilots have filed a court action to prevent the \$400 million sale of London routes by the financially strapped carrier to United Airlines, alleging Pan Am breached a contract with the

City and Westminster suspended at 0.5p

SHARES in City and Westminster Group, the miniconglomerate, have been suspended at the request of the directors. The shares were quoted at just 0.5p each at suspension. The company says it sought the suspension after suspension. The company says it sought the suspension after running into problems in the preparation of audited accounts for the year to March. City and Westminster is suing Price Waterbouse, its former auditor, and seeking damages of more than £5 million.

The dispute with Price Waterhouse followed City and Westminster's reverse takeover of A&M, the Unlisted Securities Market company, last summer. Stoy Hayward has since taken over as auditor. The company said it will report its preliminary results no later than January 24, with results for the six months to September soon after.

Purchases by BAT sells Perkins Foods

PERKINS Foods, the acquisitive group that moved from the USM to the main market in May, is spending £14.7 million on two frozen food businesses. Perkins is buying Enkco, a Dutch manufacturer of frozen convenience foods, for £8 million, and Fellside Foods, a company that manufactures frozen sau-sages, for £6.7 million.

German stores BAT, the tobacco and finan-

cial services group, has sold Horten, its German department chain, to Westdeutsche Landesbank, the Dusseldorf bank, for about £140 million. Under the agreement, WestLB is buying a 50.1 per cent stake in Horten, which operates 39 department stores throughout the country, from Batig, BAT's Ger-

Chamberlin suffering

CHAMBERLIN & Hill, the foundry operator and electrical engineer, suffered a decline in first-half profits and gave warning that profits for the year as a whole are likely to fall short of last year's figure.

The shares lost 10p to 85p. Pre-tax profits declined by 14 per cent from £1.02 million to £876,000 in the six months to

end-September, on turnover down by 3 per cent from £9.75 million to £9.47 million. Earnings per share fell from 9.32p to 7.98p, although the interim dividend is maintained at 1.75m.

Timber group EC approves Tioxide deal cuts dividend PHOENIX Timber Group

has cut its interim dividend after a pre-tax loss of £379,000 in the six months to end-September (£479,000 profit) on turnover down 14 per cent from £36.1 million to £31 million. There was a .8p loss per share (earnings of 2.9p). The interim dividend has been cut from 1.1p to 0.5p. The shares lost 3p to

Cookson Group. ICI now has 100 per cent ownership of Tioxide, which is the second largest manufacturer of titanium pigments in the

THE European Comm

nity's executive commission

has approved the purchase

by Imperial Chemical In-

dustries of a 50 per cent

stake in Tioxide Group from

world and the largest in

Bell loss at £268m BELL Group, the Bond Corp Holdings subsidiary, reported an Aus\$672 million (£268 million) loss for the 15 months to October. The latest unaudited results mean Bell Group has accumulated Aus\$944 million of losses since June 1988. The company's survival now depends on a restructuring, which

involves the swapping of debt for equity by bondholders. Bell's next date for payment on one series of its convertible bonds is Monday, but the group has scheduled a meeting of bondholders in London tomorrow to consider a proposal to defer interest payments for six months. The company said Lloyds Corporate Advisory Services, its financial adviser, expected the debt-for-equity scheme to be completed by

STOCK MARKET

Turnover kept off low for year by two trades worth £180m

ONLY the execution of two programme trades, estimated to be worth a combined £180 million, prevented turnover in the equity market falling to its lowest level of the year.

BZW is thought to have been responsible for one trade worth more than £80 million. while Warburg Securities had its name linked to the other. Dealers said the trades, which involved several institutions switching out of various sectors and into others, accounted for almost 70 per cent of the total business transacted. By the close of business only 326 million shares had been traded.

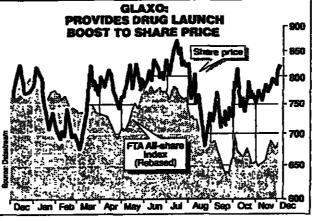
electricity flotation was taking up the interest of most investors at the expense of the rest of the equity market.

But sentiment remained firm. Hopes of a peaceful solution in the Gulf, a drop in the oil price and hopes of an early cut in base rates lifted the FT-SE 100 index 13.1 points to 2,169.6. The narrower FT index of 30 shares also added 12.5 at 1.695.3.

Government securities saw gains of £1/2 halved, amid concern about a possible rise in German interest rates. Eurotunnel closed un-

changed at 318p while the warrants firmed 1p to 26p as the deadline for the take-up of its £533 million rights issue was reached. Poor expectations of

Christmas trading led to a downgrading of forecasts by several brokers for both Cadbury Schweppes, down 5p at 317p, and United Biscuits, 2p lighter at 308p. Cadbury Schweppes has had its estimates for the current year reduced by some £10 million to about £275 million and for



next time by £15 million to Dealers complained that the £315 million. UB has seen its final figure this time round trimmed by £3 million to £198 million and for 1991 by £10 million to £215 million.

Glaxo responded to the launch of Serevent, its new anti-asthma drug, after approval by the government, with a rise of 24p to 839p. A recent article in The Lancet. the medical journal, claimed to comment.

graine drug, may contain possible side effects. Blue Circle Industries. Brit-

ain's biggest cement producer. fell 6p to 221p on reports that James Capel, the stockbroker had substantially downgraded its profits forecast for the current year from £195 million to £180 million, and for 1991 from £185 million to £150 million. Capel declined

Siebe, the instrument controls group, rose 12p to 298p before today's interim figures that are expected to show pre-tax profits up from £80.8 million to £86 million. In June, the shares were trading about the 530p level. Reports last weekend suggest that Barrie Stephens, chairman and chief executive, may be under increasing institutional pressure to relinquish one of his roles. the drug's anti-inflamatory A profits downgrading by Smith New Court, the stock-

properties would help to boost its sales. The group describes Serevent as the first breakthrough in asthma treatment for 20 years.

Glaxo is striving to establish a new generation of drugs to replace Zantac, its best selling anti-ulcer drug, which continues to provide a large proportion of group profits. But last month its share price was hit by reports that suc. Earlier attempts at plac-Sumatriptran, its anti-mi- ing the stock failed with the

broker, also left George Wimpey, the housebuilder, 3p

cheaper at 209p. Shares of Brent Walker, the debt laden lesiure group headed by George Walker, touched 98p before settling at 91p, a rise of 3p on the day, after the successful comple-tion of the group's £103 million convertible bond isgroup falling £20 million short of its target.

The water companies enjoyed another burst of institutional support as they became caught up in the excitement generated by the electricity flotation. Anglian, unveiling interim figures today, rose to

271p, while Yorkshire, with figures tomorrow, firmed 2p to 269p. There were also gains for Northumbrian, Ip to 267p. North West, 6p to 258p, Severn Trent, 7p to 232p, Southern, 7p to 241p, South West, 2p to 258p, Thames, 3p to 258p. Welsh, 4p to 280p, and Wessex, 2p to 247p. The water package jumped £60 to

£2,565. Hopes of a 1 per cent cut in bank base rates before the end of the week boosted the property sector, although there are doubts among analysts that this will be enough to halt the slide in property values and ease the burden of the highly geared companies. Gains were seen in Bradford Properties. 3p to 111p, Brixton Estates, 5p to 162p, Frogmore Estates, 5p to 303p. Great Portland, 10p to 234p, Greycoat, 13p to 391p. Hammerson 'A', 12p to 588p, Land Securities, 14p to 534p, MEPC, 15p to 522p, and Slough Estates, 4p to

British Gas eased 21/2p to 229½p despite an encouraging progress report from the group's Warda prospect in the Gulf of Suez. Initial tests are described as promising but will continue until the end of

Tiphook, the container and trailer rental group, rallied 10p to 361p ahead of interim

MICHAEL CLARK

WORLD MARKETS

Nikkei closes off highs in thin trade

well off their highs after early optimism over the Middle noon session.

Trade was very thin though

SHARES closed higher but points, or 1.21 per cent, to said one broker. shares traded.

Hang Seng index rising 55.11 Ordinaries index closed 4.3 1,462.58. The index rose 2 per points to 3,020.17. "Senti- points higher at 1,324. cent at the opening on some activity was seen in ment was much improved.

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Nikkei average rose 271.36 hood of a war in the Mideast," 22,725.99 with 250 million Sydney - Australian shares rebounded 19.04 points to end lost ground in lean afternoon at 1,125.63. East situation faded, and trade Hong Kong - Share prices trade, but closed generally Frankfurt - The Dax index turned lethargic by the after- closed sharply higher with the firmer over the day. The All- closed up 21.35 points at

some profit-taking. The Straits Times industrial index

WALL STREET

Dow edges higher

selling and profit-taking.

A weak November purchas-

effect on prices. "I wouldn't 2,562.38,

call it a surprise," Michael SHARES continued firm in Metz, market strategist at mid-morning trading, but blue Oppenheimer and Co, said of chips sank from session highs, the index, which came in at hit by futures-related program 41.3 per cent, against an expected 42.8 per cent. The Dow Jones industrial

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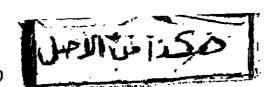
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Cheques totalling £500 million have already piled up at the receiving banks, chasing shares worth not much more than £2 billion in their part-paid form, even before the stags come in, which on past form will be during the last two or three days before the offer closes.

So far, the average investment is for a relatively modest £500 partly paid, and more than 90 per cent are for shares in the potential investor's own regional electricity company. Most of those applications, therefore, will be met in full, if the pattern of last year's water float is followed.

But the stags will see the "grey market" dealings, where the average indicated premium is 33 per cent part-paid ranging up to 37 per cent for one of the 12 companies, Northern, as a clear signal of easy pickings. This then self-fulfilling

Vivid colour in electric grey market

provisions go into effect, and the institutions scramble around in the after-market for a decent

The advisers to the float have had to walk a difficult tightrope. Uncertainty over the Gulf was nultified by the inclusion of a proper force majeure which handed over control to the City, while the market has risen by 100 points since the issue was priced. If the distributors go to the hefty per cent premiums enjoyed by the water companies, the relevant politicians and civil servants can look forward to an interesting few hours in front of the Public Accounts Committee

in a few months' time. More importantly for the City, there is a coterie within the Department of Energy that has always been convinced that water was given away and has been keen not to repeat the mistake. Their hand would be strengthCOMMENT

ened if the distributors roar away to a massive premium, with inevitable consequences for the sale of the generators next year and British Coal thereafter.

Another blip?

ew Chancellors can have entered office with so many economic indicators signalling that government policy is working. When he took the Treasury helm last week, Norman Lamont could certainly draw comfort from the received wisdom in the City and Whitehall that the anecdotal and statistical evidence was all pointing one way. The counterinflationary squeeze put in place by his forerunner-but-one was seen by all bar the extreme sceptics to be at last delivering

the right sort of numbers, albeit at the price of recession.

Indeed, published figures show both high street and edge-of-town superstores red with the blood of haemorrhaging retailers. Unemployment is again on the rise and output in retreat. Even the money supply, long a source of difficulty for the Treasury, is

finally doing the right thing.
The breathtaking slowdown in the growth of MO, the narrow money measure still officially targeted, would suggest the ultimate confirmation that the consumer is reining back hard. That was until yesterday's joker from the Central Statistical Office, which could spoil Mr Lamont's promising hand of patience. The question pereconomists, plexing doubtless the Chancellor, is how

record £4.23 billion in October when all else told us that consumers have reined back

hard. Another "blip", perhaps? For all the Bank of England's semaphor, the money markets remain convinced that a base rate cut is imminent. But if credit growth has resumed an upward path, any calculations Mr Lamont has done on base rate cuts, with a view to bringing mortgage rates down next nonth, must be rapidly reworked. The Chancellor's "honeymoon" could be over already.

Disharmony

The traditional British unit trust may prove to be one of the least expected but most regretted victims of European harmonisation. The SIB's proposals to bring in all sorts of exotic new funds reflects twin pressures from the EC UCITs consumer credit could surge to a directive and the plans of Paris masquerade as unit trusts.

and Luxembourg to steal a march on London as a financial centre. The directive allows much national discretion over investment rules, while giving a passport to sell in any member country. Luxembourg has attracted promoters by being irresponsibly liberal. Paris has used its discretion to boost the local futures and options market to rival Liffe.

This has produced much nonsense. Funds investing in property may be classed as unit trusts though valuations can differ by 100 per cent and liquidity is not as high as many a receiver would like. Gambles on futures and options are given tax concessions as though they promoted wider share ownership. The proposed marketing restrictions wholly are inadequate. Investors will suffer and an honourable industry that has served savers well will be tarnished.

The pressures cannot be wished away, but these proposals should be rethought even at this late stage. At the very least, such funds should not be allowed to

difficult

costs, taxable profits were maintained at £19.5 million

last year, against £19.2 mil-lion. But Alan Kaye, chief

executive, left the City in little

doubt that trading conditions

would continue to deteriorate

threatened to be extremely

expectations despite a charge

of £2.84 million to cover

redundancy and restructuring

costs. Several other factors

worked in the company's fa-

your during the second half.

late in the year helped the mining equipment division

return profits of £7.26 million,

against £8.19 million, disguis-

ing a much flatter picture.

Advance payment of £7 mil-

lion on an American mining-

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ciated interest charge while property profits rose from £871,000 to £2.09 million.

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Orders from British Coal

Profits came in ahead of

LORD McCarthy of Headington, Labour's principal Lords employment spokesman, has recommended acceptance of the closure of Rover's Cowley plant at Oxford, Britain's longest-standing car factory.

While this might seem odd advice from a senior Labour figure. Lord McCarthy's report, published yesterday by Oxford City Council, is curious only because it is starkly realistic about the company's closure plans, and painfully pragmatic about what to do about them. As British industry braces itself for what could be a savage round of shutdowns in the wake of last week's announcement of two factory closures in the military division by British Aerospace. Rover's parent, the McCarthy report is a model example, not of taking it on the chin, but of trying to do something about the blow when it comes.

Cars have been built at Cowley, where the Maestro and Montego models are nearing the end of their production lives, virtually since William Morris opened his first factory in Oxford in 1913. Rover, however, with a long-term decline in its market share, has over-capacity in Britain. Eighteen months ago, the company gave notice of its plan to close the south works at Cowley, and followed it last ar with a similar announc

ment for the north works. The total job losses since the closure announcements until the units shut in 1993 could number about 5.000, even allowing for £130 million of investment for executive Rover cars in the old body plant.

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Faced with what it saw as the near-total closure of motor manufacture in the city, Oxford City Council decided to pre-empt at least some of the inevitable hardship by commissioning an independent report on the plant, chaired by Lord McCarthy and including panelists such as Sir Monty British Steel, and Anthony of the TUC.

council left-wingers. He looks at three options: opposing closure; finding another motor

McCarthy's plan throws a lifeline to Cowley



Lord McCarthy: 'Cowley is a site made in Heaven'

company to take over the poses instead is "the only plant; and creating an unfet- realistic way forward": a deal, and rejects them all. Lord McCarthy, looking at outright opposition, the policy adopted by the city council that commissioned his work, said brutally: "We conclude that this Finniston, former chairman of position is untenable." Opposition like this, the report said, Christopher, a past president could not muster commercial or political power, and would Lord McCarthy's report endanger the possibility of makes rough reading for some constructive talks with the company about the plant's

What Lord McCarthy pro-

tered business park on the site a new symbiosis between the council - regarded privately by the company as more difficult than the other local authorities with which it deals' - and the company, designed to save at least some declining manufacturing capacity in the

> The council is urged to set up agreements with Rover and Arlington Securities, the property development subsidiary acquired by BAe. If the coun-Cowley site easier, does not

try to bring in a compulsory purchase order and especially looks at change-of-use planning applications with a favourable mind, Rover might phase in the closures and pay more than £2 million into a specially established Cowley contingency fund to ease the

transition and training of the

workforce at the plant. For Rover, the prize is worth having. Oxford City Council valuers estimate that a mixed commercial, residen-tial and retail development at Cowley could put a value of up to £50 million on the site, a prime piece of southeast real estate. "From a developer's point of view," Lord Mc-Carthy said yesterday, "this site was made in Heaven."

Cowley's unions are supporting the plan. Ivor Brag-gins, TGWU convenor, out-did even Lord McCarthy in his realism: "In a realistic world, you cannot expect the company to continue employ-ment if it can't produce cars and sell them in the market place."

But the council, while accepting Lord McCarthy's advice, tried to appease a range of internal political views by attempting to hold on to the fig-leaf of "cou-ditional" opposition. That can be avoided by the company simply not taking up the McCarthy plan, but Rover was positive yesterday, praising the realism of what is being suggested. A formal meeting between Rover and the council to start talks is

Lord McCarthy was optimistic, despite the lastminute operational difficulties of the council's political manocurrings. While accepting that the current recession made a new start for Cowley even more difficult, he looked

to the future. He said: "This is a longterm development. If the work was put in now, then when the upturn came, Cowley would henefit.'

He had no doubts. He said: "This site at Cowley will participate in the economic

> PHILIP BASSETT Industrial Editor

Ray of light in Westland black hole

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hole for helicopter orders that prompted the departure from cabinet of Michael Heseltine and changed the course of British politics.

But while helicopter orders remain scarce, Westland has not been short of ideas about squeezing better returns from its workload.

A handsome set of full-year

figures showed profits up 27 per cent at £26,2 million and earnings per share up 16 per cent at 12.4p.

But perhaps the most pleasing news for shareholders was a higher final dividend of 2.5p per share, the first increase since the group returned to the dividend list in 1987. It lifts total payout to 3.75p against 3.5p last time, a 7 per cent rise.

The dividend boost is a fair reflection of rising profits this year and last, but it might also help shore up Westland's shares which have slipped from a high of 152p earlier this year to 105p, up 3p on the day.

GKN sits passively on a potentially vital 22 per cent stake and takeover talk will

return when the group emerges from its black hole. When that will be is not clear, though by next year the Ministry of Defence is expected to place an order for 50 Royal Navy EH101s and Italy is thought to want 38. A Saudi order for 88 Black Hawks is part of the Al Yamamah project. Work could begin soon, but the date is clouded

by events in the Gulf. Westland delivered 14 helicopters in the year to end-September compared with 18

last time, but with several hundred aircraft in service its customer support and spares business held trading profit from the division at £19.2 million, close to the previous

year's £19.7 million. Aerospace activities performed strongly with profits up 66 per cent to £5.8 million while the third division of Westland's business, technol-ogies, raised profits from £8

million to £9.6 million. Higher margins and lower gearing provide evidence that Westland is a much tighter ship than in the past but a rising tax charge will keep fully diluted earnings flat next year at around 10.4p.

The shares, on a prospective multiple of 11, look safe but

M&G

M&G is rightly seen as the quality company in the fund management business, not least because it has combined old-fashioned virtues with market success over the long haul. In a year combining a good first half and a poor last few months, when investors spurned the sagging stock own unit trusts. Long-term market, M&G still managed a investors should not find the 19 per cent rise in pre-tax shares expensive. profits to £35.7 million.

That was helped by the high quality life profits, up a quarter to £6.5 million, and by keeping £20 million of its corporate cash on deposit, helping investment income

rise 29 per cent to £7.1

million. But unit trust and other fund management profits were still up 14 per cent, helped by growth in Peps and slightly higher charges. The shares rose 10p to 358p and that the current year

because the 36 per cent dividend rise to 17p per share was even better than expected after the interim payment. Divi-dends have virtually doubled in two years, but are still covered 1.9 times, M&G ex-plains this as following its own advice to companies. But it was really a catching up exercise after caution in the wake of the 1987 crash sent cover to three times.

Over ten years, earnings and dividends have both grown at a compound rate of 29 per cent. That explains the shares' rating of 11.2 times earnings with a 6.3 per cent yield, which is also justified by the value of the life business.

Gearing was cut from 40 per cent to 12.3 per cent but there The unit trust market is still slack, despite the expected end is evidence of more pain to of season boost to Pep applicacome. Almost all growth tions. But, to do at all well this within industrial electronics, year, M&G needs the public to share institutions renewed from £7.3 million to £8.1 fondness for equities. M&G million, was attributable to has given a lead by switching most of its cash back into its

THESE are hard times for the engineering sector and Dobson Park Industries is no Despite hefty restructuring

Analysts will be surprised if profits this year exceed £16.5 million, suggesting an 18 per cent fall in earnings to 9.3p a share. On the bright side, the shares, up 3p to 64p, offer a yield of 12 per cent on a flat dividend. The prospective multiple of almost nine is about right. Too early to buy should sit tight.

THE TIMES



Lowson joins County team

COUNTY NatWest has won another victory in the bid to build up its fledgeling derivatives arm by poaching Piers Lowson, top futures and options associate at James Capel, to join its team in Edinburgh. Lowson, who joined Capel in 1987, has made his name in the field of options research, and is advising the Securities and Investments Board on a new regime for futures and options funds in Britain. "I am now looking forward to a holiday," says Lowson, aged 26, who resigned yesterday and joins County as an associate director in January - at the same time as Andrew Barrie, a former colleague at Capel, who resigned from the firm in August. They will both be working with Robert Mapstone, former head of UK derivatives at Warburg Securities, who is running the fastexpanding division. Lowson and Barrie will also be reunited with another past colleague - Graham Cottis, who left Capel for Kleinwort Benson, and is now head dealer at County. And there is a further academic touch to it all, since County's consultant on quantitative research - Dr Jan Kwiatkowski - worked with Lowson in 1987, while he was studying portfolio theory as a

THE electricity privatisation is set to be an overwhelming success if City trends are anything to go by. For the London Wall branch of Rymans, the stationer, was completely sold out of pins yesterday - to the frustration of punters who hoped to pin sizeable cheques to their application forms.

Young at heart ERNST & Young, one of the

largest firms of accountants in America, has dismissed talk that it is about to file for bankruptcy protection. And it says it is just coincidence that it has spent \$250,000 on six upbeat advertisements in large newspapers, thanking everyone for their support. Talk that the firm is about to seek Chapter 11 protection stems from potentially large legal claims over past audits of two large collapsed Savings & Loan Associations. The Fed-



poration, the depositors' watchdog, has already filed a \$560 million action against the firm, and it faces further action for its role in the fall of Lincoln Savings, the largest S&L collapse in America. Ernst & Young say it is blameless in these cases and was scrupulous with its audits. The firm's 2,000 American partners, meanwhile, seem oblivious to their plight. They spent the weekend at Disney World in Florida, celebrating the first anniversary of the

eral Deposit Insurance Cor-

ALL the rage among stockbrokers in New York looking an unusual Christmas present . . . fur ear-muffs. ideal for a spouse or girlfriend's personal stereo speakers. Made from golden sable, they sell for \$1,000 a pair.

merger with Arthur Young.

Warming to theme INSTEAD of joining the queue to buy electricity shares. Frank might be better off spending the money on insulating his castle, according to Friends of the Earth. The charity claims spending on cavity wall and loft insulation can offer an annual return of £30 for every £100 they cost the same yield claimed by Kleinwort Benson for electricity shares in their first year on the market. That return will

dark about it," says Simon Roberts, FoE's energy cam-

AN EMBARRASSING correction to the South East Electricity Board's Christmas quiz has just been circulated to thousands of households. They had missed a "c" out of Electricity.

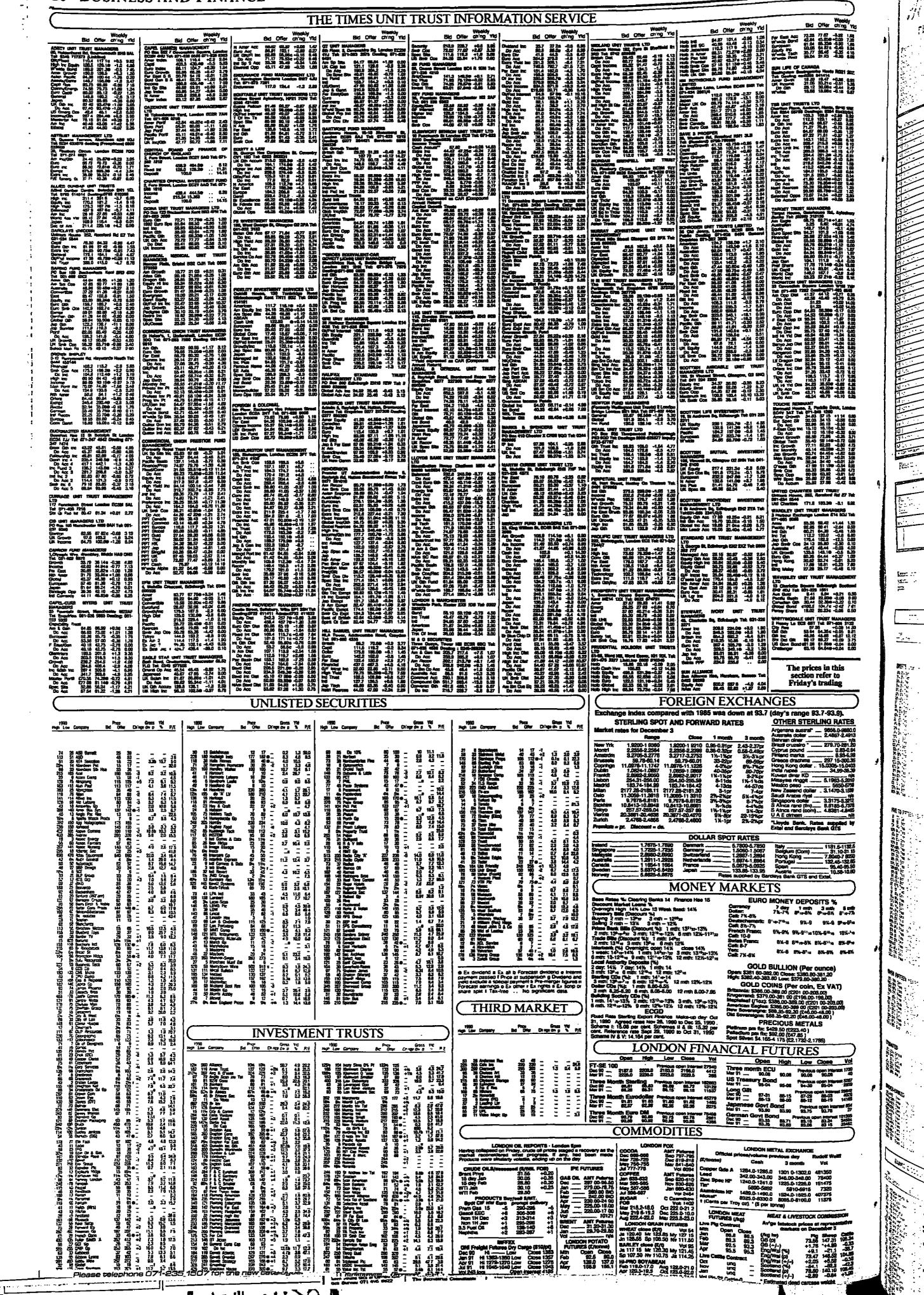
Champions Capel

THE rough and tumble of the dealing room found its way to the football pitch this weekend, when James Capel and Barclays de Zoete Wedd challenged each other to a game of soccer - in New York. And while Capel beat their old rivals 4-3, BZW more than made up for it in other ways. "They definitely won in terms of injuries inflicted," says Ray 'Gazza" Kelly, director of UK sales at Capel's New York office, who captained the event and is now nursing a swollen ankle for his efforts. Other Capels casualties include Nick Howard and Gary Webb, who barely made it to the firm's offices in the Chrysler building to catch the first trades. The Capel team. resplendent in their red and white colours, hope to tackle other, British firms in New York - as soon as they recover from their wounds. Kelly was reluctant to name his aggres-Sors. Jim Omail

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is, as such documents go, user- today? friendly. The general message from all 12 companies — the I am his predecessor. status quo will be maintained My predecessors had the within the prevailing eco-foresight and energy to estabnomic situation.

each of the 12 companies the in St Petersburg a decade directors present their "be-liefs" and "expectations" but What faces British industry

The word "strategy" is not and marketing effort neceasily found in the prospectus, essary to develop this imeither. In fact, only two companies use it, referring to market. company and to marketing is these same two companies well. which announce that they will seek real earnings growth due IAN WESTON SMITH, to productivity and efficiency improvements.

The directors of one com- Faringdon, Oxfordshire. pany state that some real profit growth should arise from "any efficiency improvements achieved", as if their attainment is in the lap of the gods.

Another company states that its objectives include a will to "promote enterprise and quality of service throughout its businesses". This is the nearest any of the 12 come to recognising the importance of their (unmentioned) cus-tomers in laying down their Myth about rates plans for the future.

Whether Frank has a bolt loose or not we may never discover, but what we do learn John Major, Anatole Kaletsky from this mini-prospectus is (The Times, November 28) that the top directors of the 12 companies do not find it easy to present a clear vision of quality management to their myth that lower average customers or describe how they will add value to the assets placed in their new charge by those very shareholding-customers the prospectus is attempting to attract. than the decline in turnover of Yours faithfully DAVID HOWARD,

Hill House 20 Old Hill Chisiehurst, Kent

Power sell-off Challenge for British industry R&D 'gamble'

20, Sir James Spooner speaks Sir, In making a decision of the possibility that what is about investing money in the now the UK market may, by 12 regional electricity com- the end of the century, dispanies private investors have appear from the order books received a mini-prospectus of British industry. Perhaps from the Electricity Share we should remind ourselves that, come '92, the whole of It offers a wealth of words the EC will be as much and many large numbers and "home" market as Scotland is

The company to which Sir for the short term is the same James refers I know well, since lish, by shrewd investment If we look at the long term and marketing skills, their though, a less coherent picture products throughout the enemerges from reading the tire European continent - a sections headed Prospects. In single example being a factory

nowhere do we see leadership today is the task of finding the statements such as "The direc- money and the determination for the research, development

Such opportunities need and sales strategies. It is, great enterprise, as our 19th perhaps, no coincidence that it century forebears knew so Yours faithfully.

The Old Rectory, Hinton Waldrist,

From Mr Donald R. Painter Sir, Have the last ten years merely brought us round in full circle of high interest rates, an over-valued pound and rising unemployment, asks Sir James Spooner (Business Letters, November 20).

I suggest the encompassing circle has far reaching effects Great Bookham, Surrey.

From Mr Rodney Atkinson

Sir, In his summary of the economic problems facing anticipates lower interest rates "to pull the economy out of recession". It is a widespread industrial growth constitutes a "recession" which can be alleviated if government lowers interest rates.

This is not true, any more one company or one industry represents a recession on account of which monetary policy should be relaxed. After many decades of industrial

During the period 1983-1985, when the same leading British group under Sir James' chairmanship, was divesting itself of peripheral interests, the subsidiary I had controlled for over seven years was one of the casualties of this core business concentration. The group has since grown and prospered, mainly by investment overseas, and is a credit to its leadership. However, the fate of my ex-colleagues and tens of thousands caught in the resultant employment trap of that period requires

thoughtful understanding.

Managers of companies in the 1980s, whose fate was similar to mine, know only too well that they are regarded as "over the hill", in the 1990s.

During the past five years, I have enjoyed manufacturing and export sales development with two smaller British companies which, despite the superhuman effort of managers and direct labour force alike, were forced to "rationalize" their activities, resulting in further demise of British man-

ufacturing and export effort. It would indeed be sad if Britain became industrially irrelevant in the 1990s, However, spare a thought for the manufacturing casualties of the 1980s who are already considered irrelevant by society under the heading of unemployed or, in the case of the over 50s, unemployable, despite their obvious potential to the country at this critical

Yours faithfully, DONALD R. PAINTER. Forest Lees, Orchard End,

and capital cost subsidy, much poor investment in superficial products is now being shown, with high nominal interest rates, to have been of little value - although good companies continue to flourish. When so much poor business activity is stopped by ratio-nally priced capital then that does not represent a recession. Government should not lower real post-tax interest rates in Britain. They are already below levels experienced by our EC competitors, encouraging a continued poor quality of investment and a further decline relative to other

upon those trapped within its could pay off

From Mr Phillip Sober Sir, I was interested to note that in the recent OECD annual review research and development expenditure by business has hardly grown in real terms in Britain since 1985, whereas elsewhere in the European Community such

expenditure has picked up.

The Times published a letter of mine (Letters, February 25, 1987) suggesting that if the Chancellor allowed BES companies to invest in research and development projects in fields approved by govern-ment, this could be a useful way of finding private money

to fund these projects.

Clearly investment in such companies would be speculative but, knowing the British public's love of a good gamble, it may well be that this type of scheme could be attractive to higher-rate taxpayers. Yours faithfully, PHILLIP SOBER,

104 Longwood Drive, SW1.

Missing index link

From Mr Lloyd Walters
Sir, The stock market story that Kenneth Fleet's figures in The Times (November 24) tell me is rather different to the one he appears to have read. The bottom line surely is that, adjusted for inflation, the FT Actuaries all-share index has gained an average of 3.8 per cent per annum during Margaret Thatcher's 111/2 years in Downing Street. If his response to this is gratitude, then mine in turn is amazement. Yours faithfully, LLOYD WALTERS,

68 Gloucester Street. SW1.

economic inadequacies, and it may be painful for so many engaged in futile business activity based on those inadequacies and who will now lose their jobs. But it would be far worse to continue the illusion of wealth creation by making cheap capital even cheaper. Nothing could be worse for a capitalist

Yours faithfully, RODNEY E. B. ATKINSON, Managing Director, Public Issue Conferences 5 Harbour Exchange Square,

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Sweden	1156.6	4.8	-34.1	4.4	-28.2	3.9	-21.3
(free)	169.9	4.3	-29.8	3.9	-23.6	3.4	-16.2
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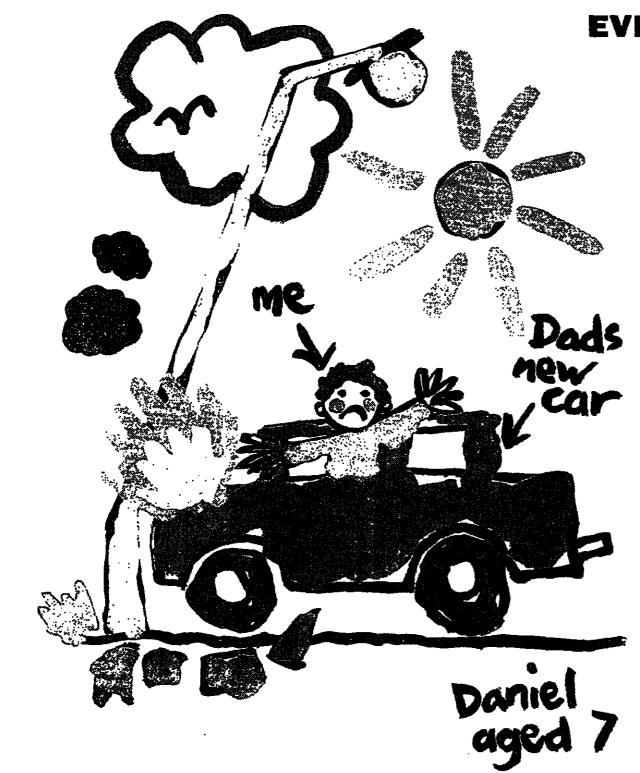
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Aftermath of arson: all journalists should beware of championing the cause of alleged firebugs

Perils of playing with fire

o part of the media would wish its conduct to be responsible for payments to arsonists who have burnt down their business premises to claim on their insurers. Unfortunately, there is no doubt that the conduct of some newspapers and, particularly, broadcasters has bad this result.

Several times in recent years some part of the media has taken up the cause of somebody whose insurers have refused to pay up, alleging that he started the fire deliberately. The insured person's story is then published and the insurance company is castigated for refusing to pay. Of course, the insurers' reasons for repudiation are never given because comment would involve alleging arson and giving the reasons, thereby exposng themselves to a libel action.

The result is bad publicity for the insurers. In cases of which I know and which have attracted this type of publicity, insurers have always stood firm and the alleged arsonist has never recovered any money, usually abandon-ing the litigation once his lawyers have seen the formidable evidence in the insurers' possession.

However, the adverse publicity affects cases involving other insur-ers, as well as those who have been the victims of the media campaign. Claims managers are instructed by their board or chief executive that, from a commercial point of view, it is better to pay up in cases that could be successfully fought rather than attract adverse

The media should avoid launching

crusades, Sir Michael Ogden, QC, says

publicity, except in the rare cases in which the evidence is so strong that the police will prosecute and obtain a conviction. I know that I suspect that those in the media

who have run the campaigns have not appreciated the true position. Although in proceedings brought by an insured person against insurers the burden on insurers of proving arson is the civil burden of proof, because of the gravity of the accusation the burden is a No insurers will embark on such

a course unless they consider they have strong evidence. Quite apart from the desire to protect their reputation, insurers who allege arson are likely to face a claim for loss of profits for breach of contract, and the damages and costs are likely to be considerable if they lose.

One must assume that editors who start these campaigns are not so gullible as to think that the ared person's story is necessarily true, but programmes I have watched and listened to and articles I have read in cases in which I have been concerned have usually been inaccurate. What may not be realised is the great care taken before insurers repudi-

ate on the ground of arson. Loss adjusters will have been instructed, as a matter of course, and it is they who will first have raised the possibility of arson, usually as a result of what they have been told by police officers and fire-Forensic scientists experienced in fire cases will then be instructed. Only if they report that the evidence shows, not merely arson, but arson by the insured, will insurers consider repudiation on that account.

ecause motive is extremely important, loss adjusters or accountants will report on the financial situation of the insured company or firm. Insurers will instruct solicitors, who will collate all this and, when all the reports are obtained, counsel will be instructed to advise insurers. Nobody will advise insurers to fight unless the evidence is very strong.

Anybody who contemplates starting a crusade against insurers in these cases should therefore assume that, whatever the assured has to say, it is almost certain that the evidence that he committed arson is substantial.

Why does the editor or programme-maker who makes an

rogance to think he can judge the assured's innocence without knowing any of the evidence in the insurers' possession?

It seems to me that to run a campaign of this kind comes close to contempt of court. Why should insurers that have made it plain to the assured that the claim will be contested in court on the basis that the assured has committed a serious crime be harried and castigated to induce payment to the alleged criminal?

The cost of shoplifting to a shopkeeper is as much an over-head as his rent and is reflected in the prices the public have to pay for goods. So, too, with insurance, The larger the sums paid out in claims, the higher the premiums for everybody.

Insurers believe the cost of losses from arson is now approaching £500 million a year in direct damage alone, that is, excluding such claims as loss of profits. Most arson fires are associated with vandalism and theft but arson committed for the purpose of fraudulent claims on insurers constitutes a significant part of the total.

What the media campaigns have achieved is increased payments to arsonists, which are reflected in higher premiums all round, and it is scant satisfaction that this includes higher premiums for those who have run such campaigns.

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Court of Appeal

Immigrant's innocent false statement Exemplary damages against councils

Regina v Immigration Appeal married the previous year. She arrived at Heathrow on June 11, Tribunal, Ex parte Akhtar Before Lord Justice Mustill, Lord Justice Staughton and Lord Justice McCowan

[Judgment November 28] False representations innocently employed in ignorance of the true situation to obtain entry clearance into the United Kingdom entitled an immigration officer to refuse leave to enter under paragraph 13 of the Statement of Changes in Immigration Rules 1983 (HC 169).

The Court of Appeal so held in distrissing an appeal by the applicant, Tahzeem Akhtar, from the refusal by Mr Justice Nolan on July 6, 1990 to grant leave to move for judicial of the Immigration Appeal Tribunal's rejection of her appeal from an adjudicator's refusal of leave to enter.

The applicant applied for and was granted in Islamabad entry clearance to join her husband, also her sponsor, whom she had not appear.

1989 and was refused leave to enter on the ground that in ignorance of the true situation she had falsely represented to the visa officer that her marriag to her sponsor was the first and only marriage for both of them. In fact her sponsor had been the time of the application

disclosed that to the applicant Paragraph 13 of the 1983 Rules provided that a passenger who held an entry clearance certificate which was duly issued to him and was still current was not to be refused leave to enter unless the tramsgration officer was satisfied that "(a) whether or not to the holder's knowledge faise representations were em-ployed or material facts were not disclosed, either in writing or orally, for the purpose of

obtaining the clearance". Mr Michael Shrimpton for the applicant; the tribunal did

LORD JUSTICE McCOWAN said that Mr Shrimpton's case was that for paragraph 13(a) to apply, the Secretary of State for the Home Department had to establish fraud by the applicant.

But nowhere did the word "fraud" appear in paragraph 13. Indeed there could not possibly be any question of the need to establish fraud because of the the words "whether or not to the

holder's knowledge".
What had to be shown was that the representation was false in the sense of not being accurate and that such representation had been made for the purpose of obtaining the clearance. It clearly had been. Mr Shrimpton had advanced

an alternative argument that the words "false representations" in paragraph 13 should be read as "false material representa-tions". He relied on an unreported decision of the tribunal in the case of Azad given on October 15, 1984.
But the tribunal had not been

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iustified in putting the matter in Arora v Bradford Metropolithe way that it had in that case. Further, Mr Shrimpton had properly drawn the court's attention to a later and contrary decision of the tribunal in the

There was no justification for any gloss being put on the plain words of paragraph 13: it was stating that false representations the purpose of obtaining clear-

case of Eusebio on September

it was possible that there might be matters on the relevant form that could be said to be included not for the purpose of obtaining clearance. It could not possibly be said that in the instant case the representation had not been employed for the purpose of obtaining entry

Lord Justice Staughton delivered a concurring judgment and Lord Justice Mustill agreed. Solicitors: Russell & Halltan Council Before Lord Justice Neill, Lord

Justice Russell and Lord Justice Farouharson [Judgment November 27] Exemplary damages could be awarded by an industrial tri-bunal against a local authority

found to have unlawfully discriminated on grounds of sex and race against an applicant for a post at a college for which the authority had responsibility.

The Court of Appeal so held

in allowing an appeal by Ms Ranjit Arora from the order of the Employment Appeal Tri-bunal (Mr Justice Wood, Mr J H. Galbraith and Mr W. Morris (The Times July 13, 1989; [1989] ICR 719) reversing an strial tribunal's decision to award her £1,000 exemplary damages in addition to its compensation award.

Mr Stephen Sedley, QC and Mr Goolam Meeran for the

applicant; Mr William Birtles the exercise of powers and the international company. for the council.

LORD JUSTICE NEILL said that the award had been made in proceedings brought by the applicant, a Sikh, alleging that the council had been guilty of direct discrimination against her in a manner contrary to both the Sex Discrimination Act 1975 and the Race Relations Act 1976.

Since 1980 the applicant had been employed at the Bradford and Ilidey College. In 1987 the post of head of department of teaching studies at the college was advertised and she decided to apply for the post. The case was concerned with the way her plication was dealt with and the circumstances surrounding

her interview for the post.

The industrial tribunal had eld her complaint that she had been discriminated against. The finding of discrimination was not now the subject of any

appeal.

The only issue was whether the industrial tribunal was entitled on the facts of the case to make an award of exemplary damages in addition to an award of damages by way of

The Employment Appeal Tribunal had held that awards of exemplary damages in relation to acts of local government were confined to the execution of public powers and where a local authority was exercising its powers to select individuals for employment it was not exercis-ing a power within the public

On behalf of the applicant it had been submitted: 1 That, as was conceded by the council, local authorities were liable to pay exemplary damages in appropriate cases in the same way as were organs of central

government.
2 That there was no guthority
for the novel distinction drawn
by the Employment Appeal
Tribunal between public functions of local authorities and

corporation created by statute and its functions were limited to

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4 That the functions carried out by a local authority were public functions and there was no room for the concept that in tions the authority was acting in private capacity. 5 That it was not to the point

that judicial review might not be available in relation to a con-tract of employment between a local authority and an em-ployee. The award of exemplary lamages in tort was based on a different principle. 6 Although there might be cases

where actions taken by employees of a local authority could not regarded as an abuse of public power, in the present case t was to be remembered that the committee was composed of the principal and a vice-principal of the college as well as a councillor as a representative of the

On behalf of the council it was submitted that the Employment Appeal Tribunal was fully justified in drawing a distinction between the private actions of the council and functions which public functions.

The real question, Mr Birtles submitted, was whether at the material time the authority was exercising a function of a gov-ernmental character. Exemplary damages only lay where the person or body was exercising authority or giving directions. It was to be remembered that Lord Devlin had spoken in Rookes v Barnard (1964] AC 1129, 1223) of "the arbitrary and outrageous

use of executive power". His Lordship saw the force of the submission put forward on behalf of the council. But in his judgment the distinction drawn by the Employment Appeal Tribunal was unsound.

Exemplary damages were anomalous and it was difficult to find any satisfactory basis for allowing such damages against a small local authority and refus-ing them against a powerful

Extended limitation period

But the anomaly existed and governmental bodies including local authorities were treated as being in a special category. His Lordship did not find it

possible to accept the suggestion that when the applicant was being interviewed the committee was carrying out some private function of the council.
In Rookes v Barnard (at p1226), Lord Devlin had stated the first category of exemplary damages to be in respect of "oppressive, arbitrary or un-constitutional action by servants of the government". Lord Reid in Broome v Cassell ([1972] AC 1027, 1088) had said that extended to local

It was not necessary to examme in the present case the exact ambit of Lord Devlin's first category. There might be some cases where a junior officer of a council was carrying out some duty which could not properly be regarded as the exercise of a public function at all.

But in the present case senior employees of the council and a councillor were considering a candidate for a senior position in a college for which the council of which it exercised functions

under the education Acts. Cases where exemplary damages were justified would be rare, probably very rare. Before awarding such damages the court or tribunal would need to consider whether the conduct which was criticised fell within one of the special categories explained in Rookes v Barnard

and Broome v Cassell. It would also have to consider whether the award of compensatory damages, including aggravated damages, was not by

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applies to former embassy Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs v "No action shall be brought by any person to recover any land after the expiration of 12 years from the date on which the right of action accrued ..." 1980. Section 15(1) provided: and Consular Premises Act 1987 was to sell the premises and bold the proceeds of sale for the State from the date on which the right of Cambodia until it could be paid on the resumption of diplomatic relations.

Justice Russell iJudement November 141

The secretary of state having vested in himself the embassy of a country with which the United a country with which the United Kingdom no longer had diplomatic relations, and having sought to evict squatters from the premises, the extended limitation period of 30 years under section 15(1) of and Schedule I to the Limitation Act 1980 was applicable and the squatters could not rely on 12 years' adverse possession. years' adverse possession.
The Court of Appeal so held

in dismissing an appeal by Mr David Tomlin from the order of David Tomlin from the order of Mr Justice Mantell made on May 4, 1990 ordering him and five others to give up possession of the former Cambodian Embassy at 21 Avenue Road and 26/30 Townshend Road, St John's Wood, London.

On the overthrow of its government in 1975 the embassy staff had closed the building and handed over the keys to

ing and handed over the keys to the Foreign Office. The British Government had since had no dealings with any authority as the government of Cambodia. Mr Tomlin had emered the premises as a squatter in August 1976 and was later joined by others.
The secretary of state having

taken the view that, should the squatters remain in occupation. squatters remain in occupation, there was a possibility that the squatters might acquire title by adverse possession, had vested in himself the title to the premises and applied for possession under Order 113 of the Rules of the Supreme Court. Mr Leolin Price, QC and Mr Donald Broatch for Mr Tomlin; Mr Guy Sankey and Mr Ian Ashford-Thom for the secretary of state.

JUSTIÇE FARQUHARSON said that the appeal depended on the pro-visions of the Limitation Act

Paragraph 10 of Part II of Schedule I to the Act provided: "section 15(1)... shall apply to the bringing of an action to recover any land by the Crown ... with the substitution for the reference to 12 years of a reference to 30 years. The question was whether the secretary of state was entitled to avail himself of the extended itation period.

Mr Price had argued that the provisions had to be given a purposive construction. The purpose of section 15(1) and purpose of section (3(1) and paragraph 10 was to protect the Crown. The exception did not apply to the bringing of any action whatsoever by the Crown action whatsoever by the Crown but only to actions for the recovery of Crown lands, so that the reference in section 15(1) to "any land" was to be construed as a reference to "any Crown land". Reliance had been placed on Management World The Land on Megarry and Wade, The Law of Real Property (5th edition (1984) p1032).

Mr Price had submitted that the statutory obligation im-posed on the secretary of state by section 3 of the Diplomatic

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The function of the secretary of state was thus a purely administrative one and the $m_{2} = m_{2}$ Ca Ex SEE premises did not come within the category of land where the Crown needed the protection of RCC. # Bress section 15(1).
His Lordship could not see any justification for restricting the ambit of the statute in the ARR THUS

way Mr Price had suggested. So far as section 15(1) and paragraph 10 were concerned, the Act was procedural. If the Act said "any land" his Lordship could not see how any restrictions could be placed upon those words.
While a purposive construction of a statute often helped, it was only applicable where there was some ambiguity in the provisions in question. Here, section 15(1) and paragraph 10 were clear enough. The secretary of state was entitled to rely on the extended period of imitation

Lord Justice Russell delivered a concurring judgment and Lord Justice Neill agreed. Solicitors: Cohen & Naicker,

Unfair dismissals

Upon the issue of whether an employer had failed to carry out as much investigation as was reasonable in all the circumstances of the case the appeal tribunal had to remit the case back to an industrial tribunal for decision unless no industrial tribunal, property directing it-self, could have come to the

M. Springer) on October 20; 1989 to allow the appeal of the employers, Electrolux Ltd; against the decision of a Bedford industrial tribunal on April 28; 1988 that the appealance had 1988 that the employee had been unfairly dismissed.

Short arm of the law

The Efficiency Commission, the joint body of the legal profession and the Lord Chancellor's depart-"good improve efficiency in the crown courts. These are welcome, but they do not go far and, provided he does not get ings redundant, but it would conducted by barristers. enough, nor will they make any real savings.

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If Lord Mackay of Clashfern, the Lord Chancellor, is reason in cases such as these serious in his intentions to for anybody to attend court, control the cost of legal aid except for the defendant to and the courts themselves, he receive his predetermined needs to adopt a more radical sentence.

There are at least two ways simplified in the following hearings that are unnecessarily long can be shortened.

In the bulk of the cases before the crown court, at least in number, if not in length, the pleas are guilty, if straightforward crimes are being dealt with, such as the burglary of homes. Sentencing in all criminal cases is based on the concept of a tariff for the type of offence involved, together with adjustments according to the circumstances of the offence and the previous record of the defendant.

This system is clearly understood by lawyers, and in the vast majority of cases the sentence can be predicted with

THERE is not a substantial civil

liberties lobby for those accused of

committing fraud. Society strives to

be scrupulously fair to murderers

and rapists, protecting their rights in

a variety of ways. By contrast, for

the fraudster, all these safeguards

have been partly or wholly swept

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experience with the securities and

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are anything to go by, nobody will

As a jurisprudential concept, the

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Nobody can doubt that fraud cases

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If the lessons of the American

Some crime cases could be dealt with by letter to save costs and time, says

recently published practice published practice guides to

more than the perceived tariff also induce many defendants want to appeal. There is no trials would be reduced.

The procedure could be in which substantial savings way. After a case had been can be made. First, un- committed for trial in the necessary court hearings can crown court, a judge would be eliminated. Second, court study the papers in the case and consider a written plea in mitigation from the defendant's solicitors. The judge would then give a formal written notification to the defence of the sentence if there was a plea of guilty.

If the defendant was pre-

pared to accept this, only he would have to attend court for the imposition of the sentence. If the defendant did not accept it, there would be a hearing in the normal way and

be bound in any way by the sentence previously offered. To make the system work effectively, the sentences offered would have to include a the crown court.

for that offence, he will not to plead guilty and the cost of

justice being done in secret because the prosecution summary of the case and the defendant's mitigation could be made public as soon as sentence was passed and the judge could add any comments he wished to make at

n this way the media would be enabled to report on the case with exactly the same information as they would have if the case had been dealt with in the normal way.

istrates' courts have been allowed for many years to plead guilty by post in certain classes of case and, provided there are adequate safeguards for the defendant, such as a the judge in the case would not requirement that he be advised by a solicitor before accepting a sentence, there is no reason in principle why the system cannot be extended to

cases. Most crown court trials take far longer than necessary. Trials are more speedily and efficiently dealt with in the magistrates' courts than in the crown courts because most magistrates' court work is dealt with by solicitors and nearly all crown court work is

The difference in tempo between a busy magistrates' court and a crown court is There need be no element of striking and, in practical terms, this means that barristers in the crown court operate at little more than half the speed of solicitors.

The reason for this is that solicitor advocates have other work to do apart from advocacy and are eager to conclude cases as quickly as possible, whereas barristers are under no such pressure.

Magistrates' court clerks are also intolerant of long-winded advocates and tend to manoeuvre the list so that the quicker advocates are heard first and the slower ones sit and wait, and lose money in the process. No similar sanction exists in the crown court, where judges all too often allow proceedings to drag on at a snail's pace.

The remedy is simple. If the bulk of crown court work was Courts and Legal Services Act solicitor advocates, or whethconducted by solicitors, the hearings would be speeded up and justice would be done not only more quickly but also more efficiently and cheaply.

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Pity the poor fraudsman

are difficult to investigate and prosecute. Equally, nobody can argue with the finding of Lord Roskill — in his fraud trials committee report of 1986, which led directly to the setting-up of the Serious Fraud Office - that the authorities' impotence was a matter of serious and legitimate public concern. However, the arguments deployed to justify removing rights from somebody facing the prospect of professional ruin must be ex-

fraud is of doubtful validity. Two of the more intuitive of these Because fraud is so difficult to arguments should be summarily investigate and prosecute, so the dismissed. The first is that a argument goes, it is permissible, frandsman is intelligent and theredesirable and even essential to fore needs the protection of fewer restrict the civil rights of those rights. Our civil rights did not evolve simply to protect the most vulnerable citizen. The philosophy The mere difficulty of achieving a legal end, however, should not be a justification for bending the rules. has a more fundamental basis than that, namely, that a man is innocent until proved guilty.

The second is that because a fraudsman has plenty of time and leisure to plan and execute his fraud, and can obfuscate his tracks. the authorities need to be made even with him by having enhanced powers. The notion, however, that a fraudsman leaves a more difficult trail is nonsense. He leaves a paper trail, and often a money trail, a mile long. It may be complicated, but at least it is there for examination, and this must make a fraud case much more amenable to investigation than, say, a child murder with its

scanty clues. The problems of the Serious Fraud Office's victim start at the outset of a fraud investigation.

Apart from the barest details, comprising the name of the company and/or persons under investigation, he is not told precisely, or even generally, what is being investigated. Yet he will be ordered,

not by a judge or magistrate, but by the person investigating him, to produce documents and answer coestions.

If he fails to co-operate, he will be prosecuted for that refusal and probably jailed in addition, the Serious Fraud Office will probably be only one of a number of official or quasi-official people investigat-

ing him.
There may have been a Department of Trade inspection, during which he will have been forced to answer questions, and his answers will be used against him in any criminal proceedings. The inspec-tor's report will amount to a guilty verdict against him, probably depriving him of his livelihood. Even if the inspector's verdict does. not go against him, the Serious Fraud Office can have a second bite at the cherry. The agony of this process of successive investigation

is unjustifiably prolonged. Things do not improve in court. The judicial function of the committal proceedings is usurped by the Serious Fraud Office director, who has an unfettered and unchallengeable discretion to transfer any fraud case of significant seriousness and complexity to the crown court and to lodge an indictment.

The protection granted to a defendant to set aside this transfer has been interpreted by the courts as a paper tiger, giving them no discretion to stop a case in which there is the vaguest possibility of the jury reaching a guilty verdict.

It is not surprising that these new powers have terrified those who encounter them. Many will rejoice at this, but there are risks that the over-zealous exercise of the powers will produce injustices and that, as a result, they will lose the respect and forfeit the co-operation of those City folk whose support they need. DAVID KIRK

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Empty seat search shows that despite the small numbers, their conat lunch

THE prime minister's hasty removal was a blow for the Law Society. Officials at the society's headquarters bad been beavering away for 18 months to persuade Margaret Thatcher to lunch with their president and the date had just been fixed - for yesterday. John Major could not keep the date but officials are optimistic about channels of communication with the new prime minister. Judy Foy, the society's parliamentary officer, spent many hours with Mr Major during the bill for the social security reforms and knows him well. The verdict at Chancery Lane is that he is a "good egg". One official said: "Even Ken Livingstone use to praise him for doing more for housing, when on Lambeth council, than ever expected from the Tories."

Crown tops

THE Crown Prosecution Service (CPS) emerged well from last week's cabinet office report on the progress of women in the civil service. The CPS, the largest employer of lawvers in Britain, accounts for more than 14 per cent of the higher-grade women in the civil service. Women in the CPS make up 38 per cent of all the 1,117 employees from higher executive officer to grade five. At grade seven, for instance, they account for 43 per cent of all employees, although this falls to 14 per cent at the higher grade six. These figures compare well with the rest of the civil service, where the promotion of women is to be the subject of a campaign by the First Division Association, the union representing highergrade government staff.

Centres in need

RESEARCH by Lynda Hiscock and Geoffrey Cole, of the Central London polytechnic, into the use of volunteer lawyers in law centres and the future for pro bono legal services has shown that only a tiny proportion of lawyers undertake such work (1 per cent of the 52,399 solicitors holding practising certificates and the 6,000 barristers practising in 1989). The re-

tribution has increased the hours during which law centres can open, sometimes offering specialisms they could not otherwise provide. The researchers suggest that if there were concrete benefits. such as enhanced knowledge, improved communication skills and continuing education points available through law centre work, more lawyers might become involved. The legal profession's image could also improve if wealthy firms in private practice could be co-ordinated, perhaps by the Law Society and the Law Centres Federation, into putting something into the law centre movement.

Divorce call

THE IRISH courts' refusal to

recognise divorce creates sericus injustice and often absurdity, leaving Ireland isolated as Europe's odd man out. An English solicitor, Margaret Bennett, has written to Mary Robinson, the newly elected Irish president, urging her to introduce divorce in Ireland as soon as possible. The two were recently on opposite sides in a case in which an Irish maintenance order against the "spouse" was unenforceable in the UK. where the husband had obtained a divorce. However, the Irish courts refuse to issue orders against ex-spouses as that would recognise divorce. Ms Bennett, who has recently left her old firm to set up a niche matrimonial practice, says: "Thousands of Irish women whose husbands leave them to live in other countries that have divorce laws will be penalised."

Secret moves

AS the use of information technology in law firms in-creases rapidly, the risk of unauthorised people accessing files could give firms serious trouble. Any information falling into the wrong hands would be a breach of the duty of confidentiality. The National Computing Centre in Manchester, which is co-ordinating the trade department's information technology security awareness campaign, wants to ensure that smaller law firms are made aware of the risks.

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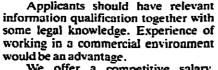
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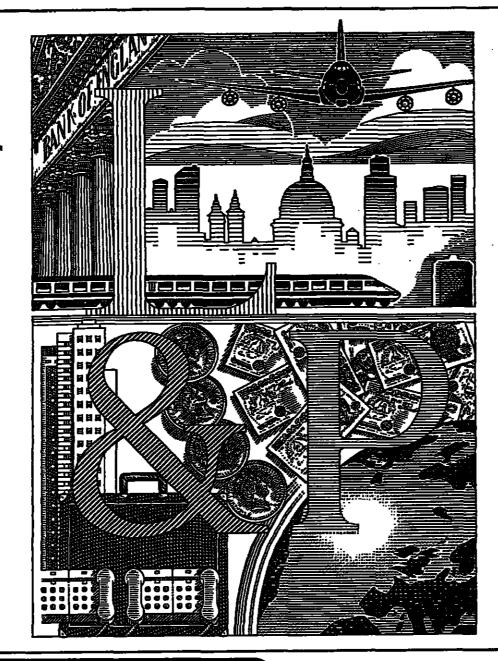
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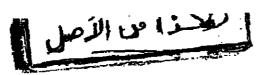
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The concept of voluntary work sprang from char-itable and lessured beginnings but recent years have seen a considerable growth in the numbers and variety of people willing to do unpaid work. Many volunteers are aware that there are advantages all round, for themselves as well as for the people or organisation they support.

In the changeable employment market, voluntary experience makes a good impression on potential employers. "Helping" can also involve helping oneself to confidence through volunteering a few hours a week or a few months full-time.

The trouble with me is that I still do not know exactly what I want to end up doing," says Paul McGilchrist, who works in media resources at a London comprehensive school. Louise Robertson and Paul were employed as publicity officers on short-term contracts, and took on voluntary work to try out new directions. Paul is now a volunteer tutor in adult education. Louise's hours with a hospital radio were enjoyable and, she believes, added to her credibility. She went on to join a production team for a television

Advertisements for voluntary help with fund-raising, publicity, clerical work, research and practical jobs frequently include sentiments such as "cheerfulness and flexibility more important than skills" and "support and training provided".

There are outdoor projects, residential schemes and telephone helplines. The intangible assets gained from working with people, such as listening, noticing, and responding to what needs to be done help to make volunteers convincing at job interviews.

Voluntary work continues to have a high public profile. Last April, the Prince's Trust and the Commission on Citizenship organised a conference, "Young police. At the CSV interview she

Help yourself, helping others

Voluntary work can help younger people decide which career

to choose, says **Bernadine Coverley**

Volunteers in the Community", and tomorrow's International Volunteer Day will pay tribute to volunteers by publicising local

If the value to society is obvious, the rights and protection of unpaid workers have to be considered as well. The Volunteer Centre has produced a charter to encourage organisations to cover practical details such as arrangements for insurance and health and safety.

Community Services Volun-teers (CSV) is one of the longest-running organisations providing full-time experience in the caring professions. This national scheme, founded in 1962, places 2,000 volunteers a year from its local offices around the country.

As new volunteers appear, CSV expands. The policy is not to refuse any offer of help from anyone aged between 16 and 35, whether ex-offenders, graduates or school-leavers wondering what to do. The only preconditions are a willingness to leave home for a placement lasting from four months to a year, in a different and often contrasting area, and to live on £18.50 per week plus housing and meals.

Lesley O'Brien, aged 17, who is working in a women's refuge, was too young to join the Metropolitan



One pace forward: Howard Flynn and Stefanie Hodges are fighting crime as community volunteers, helping police in south London

asked about placements that would be an asset in her choice of future employment.

"I have gone along with women when they needed help from the police. It was very revealing and I understand much more about what the police do. I am a better listener too." She will move on to spend the last months of her year as a volunteer working with

homeless people.

After failing one A-level, Shabir Aziz, from Sheffield, thought he had no chance of going to college, so he became a volunteer to give himself time to think. He was

placed at a Birmingham commulongest for two months." She mity centre, where he works with wanted to get away and the local elderly people and on an inno-vatory bilingual project with Pun-jabi children. "The best thing is getting feedback from people. I did careers office put her in touch with CSV. In London Hazel helps a disabled woman to live independently. not expect to enjoy it so much Although CSV is mainly con-

either," she says. He is now applying, with CSV advice, to cerned with caring for people, it does have a "green" project for 25 people in Wales, Cymru Conpolytechnics to study social administration. servation Challenge, an imagi-native, one-year programme of working with people and the Not every volunteer has such clear ideas about careers. Hazel Batkin, aged 18, lives near environment in Wales and in Northampton. She says: "There is shops and I had loads of jobs, the

Those who prefer outdoor volunteering can join the British involved out of interest but for

Trust for Conservation Volunteers (BTCV). This organisation, supported by the Countryside Commission, gets more than 60,000 volunteers a year working on conservation in town and country. The variety is endless. including scrub-cutting, coppicing

and tree-planting in woodland, restoring ponds, controlling water level and maintaining aquatic plants and dependent creatures in wetlands, and repairing drystone walls, fencing and hedge-laying in

some it is an invaluable opportunity. Those who are willing to volunteer full-time can become voluntary field officers and will receive comprehensive training.

Jane Bevan, from BTCV's head office, says: "Many long-term volunteers are graduates who want to get experience before going into a career in conservation or environmental science. Some centres are vying for volunteers. North Yorkshire may seem more obviously attractive than an inner city, but making the city green can be just as satisfying."

volunteer field officer is treated as a member of staff and training is allocated according to time of service, covering such practical skills as the use of computers and time management. Ability to get on with people is tested in "leading volunteers" workshops. Field officers must be able to run a friendly, co-operative group of diverse volunteers, from lawyers

BTCV can help with accommodation and expenses, but the rules governing state benefits need to be checked with the social security and employment departments. Some voluntary organisations provide similar programmes on an employment training basis. Involvement in any voluntary activity puts people in touch with a network of contacts and gives a feel for the grassroots work, a good basis for informed career decisions.

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6 Further information: Volunteer Centre UK, 29 Lower Kings Road. Berkhamsted. Herts: Natural Break, conservation working holidays programme, local BTCV; Volunteer Field Officer Information, British Trust for Conservation Volunteers. 36 St Mary's Street, Wallingford, Oxfordshire OX10 OU: Community Service Volunteers, 237 Pentonville Road, London N1 9NJ. The Voluntary Apencies Directory is availuntary Agencies Directory is available at libraries or from the National Council for Voluntary Organisations (NCVO). 26 Bedford Square, London WC1 3HU.

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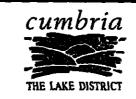
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hen Jilly Curry's father waved his daughter off to work in the French ski resort of Tignes, he told her she had better get into the British ski team. That was nine years ago and now, aged 28, Curry is not only in the team but is leading them to

victory. On Sunday, she staged an impressive comeback from twentieth place to take the gold medal in the combined freestyle in La Plagne, the first World Cup event of the season.

That gold medal marks the first stage in an important year for Curry as she tries to build on the success of last season. By the time the spring thaw had set in last April she had finished in second place in the World Cup rankings, with one gold and three silver medals to her name.

She promptly followed that by winning the British championship, after taking first place in the moguls and the combined in Morzine. Her aims this season are simple: to top the rankings and take the world championship in Lake Placid in February.

But La Plagne almost proved her downfall. Starting off in the moguls, she missed her first jump. "I messed it up completely," Curry said. "I took off and forgot to make a shape, I just did a straight jump. It came as a shock and it took me a while to recover and realise what I had done."

A good performance in the aerials brought her back to sixth place. "That brought me right up and it left me with a few places to play with," she said. "In the combined it is never over until the last event, it can always go either way and I pulled up in the

Freestyle skiing is nothing if not a spectacular sport. Involving tricks, jumps, somersaults, flips and ballet, it is related to Alpine skiing only in that both events take place on the snow. Hurtling down the mountainside with skis aloft and your nose two inches above the piste is not generally regarded as a wise move in

routine set to music, aerials, a single spectacular somersault powerful all round and aerofrom a specially prepared jump, bically fit," she said. from a specially prepared jump, and the moguls, a 250-metre descent over a bumpy course including two upright jumps. Curry specialises in all three sections and has won most of her medals in the combined event.

When Curry saw freestyle skiing it was love at first sight. By 1983, she was in the British team. But the one big problem facing any British skier is the lack of snow at home. As a result, Curry rarely sees her London flat, spending the four months of the season living out of a suitcase while she follows the circuit. The rest of her time is spent at training camps all over Europe. What little time off she does have is spent temping in London to pay the

he admitted: "It's a nomadic and hectic life. Even in the summer I only have the odd two or three weeks in England. There are times when I think of my car as home." She did, however, manage to find a few free days in September to marry Robin Wallace, the freestyle team



packs in a frightening training The sport is split into three schedule covering everything disciplines: ballet, a two-minute from weight-training to spring

Weights and running keep me fit but I also do a lot of work trampolining. That helps with spacial awareness, twists and somersaults. Diving gives me that too. Then I go to dance classes for the ballet routine and any gymnastics and acrobatics training is also helpful. But keeping fit on the tour is a problem. I spend so much time during the day on skis it is hard to find the energy to go out and do ten 100-metre sprints

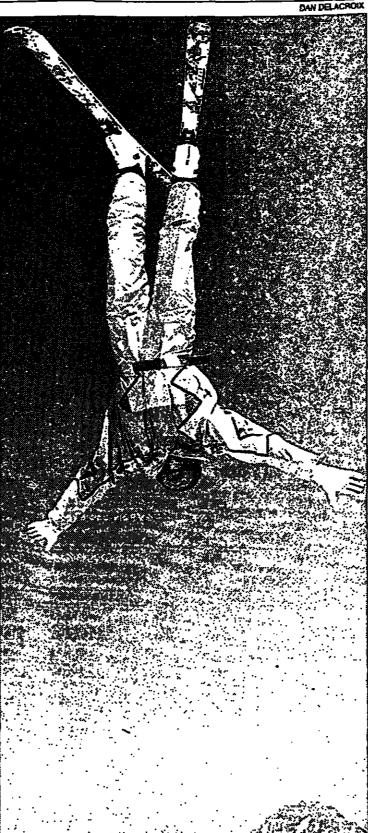
in the evening. Practising for the aerials is a dangerous business. Leaping 15 metres in the air and putting in a triple somersault with two twists before landing takes careful preparation and that work is done on water jumps. Landing on your head in the water is merely embarrassing — doing it on the

snow can be painful.

Despite the danger, the aerials are one of Curry's favourite sections. "It is hard to find anything that gives you such a buzz," she said. "It only takes about ten seconds, start to finish, but the build-up is tremendous. All morning the anticipation and concentration take over, then once it is done there is huge sigh

For the 1992 Winter Olympics, only the moguls will be recognised as an official event. By 1994, it is hoped all three disciplines will be accepted. But whatever the event Curry's place in the team looks certain, barring accidents. In nine years of skiing her only injury has been a broken ankle — and that came when she fell over her ski poles in the back

But first things first. There is a gold medal in the World Cup rankings to be won. "I've got to make sure I don't mess up," she said. "I know I can gain places in each of the 14 tournaments, it is just a question of consistency."



Peak performance: Jilly Curry soars high in the world of freestyle skiing BASKETBALL

When the benefits outweigh losses

By Nicholas Harling

success of its venture, albeit a loss-making one, at the Albert Hall over the weekend.

Even after television fees are taken into account, the EBBA and Basketbail League expect to share a loss of £25,000 between them, although the ball was packed to its 3,800 capacity for Yugoslavia's visit on Saturday and almost three-quarters full for Sunday's NatWest Trophy final. The sum will be a trivial one, they say, when it is weighed against the benefits to the game of public relations, potential sponsors and general image.

"Everyone knew we would make a loss beforehand," Peter Knowles, the EBBA marketing officer, said. "But other things had to be looked at. It was a giorious occasion, well pre-sented. The only shame was that

we couldn't do it profitably." The main grouses of the coaches, especially the van-quished David Ransom, of Engdusticed David Kansoni, of England, and the victorious Kevin Cadle, of Kingston, were the demands on international players, expected to play four

congestion had to be tolerated if a further £5,000 loss was not to be accrued by having to lay down the special floor separate occasion, such as next weekend's originally scheduled date for the Nat West final. "The whole idea was to reduce the cost," he said. The idea of a joint venture

apparently came to frution when Yugoslavia became world champions in the summer."It was already a plum fixture," Knowles said, "but then we just had to project the game and to present it under the best possible circumstances. It is a superb What is more. Knowles said.

the game's authorities will be looking to repeat their bumper package next December should England again draw attractive opposition for the subsequent

The prospect is not likely to meet with Cadle's approval should Kingston, as seems likely, still be pursuing the honours and providing inter-national players. "Not a lot of matches in eight days, beginning consideration was given to the with a visit to Spain and ending physical toll on the players," he with tomorrow's trip to said after his club's 69-59 victory over Manchester Giants.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Hard draw for Widnes

IF WIDNES or Leeds reach the Widnes have protested at the proposed televising of their trophy match for the second successive week. The club chairfinal of this season's Regal Trophy they will have traversed the toughest possible route (Keith Macklin writes). man. Ray Owen, said: "We lose spectators and we lose revenue. Both got through hard home Wigan, the holders, are given ties against Humberside oppo-sition at the weekend, Widnes beating Hull, the championship

an easy passage with a home tie against Keighiey, the second division club. DRAW: Wakefield Trinity v Castleford: Featherstone Rovers v Sit Helens: Watnes v Leeds: Batley v Oldham; Wigen v Kelightey: Trafford Borough or Dordsaner v Rochdale Homes: Warneyson v Leigh; Bradford Normen v Branneys

SNOOKER

Hendry's courage shines through in UK final classic

man who stops him can expect to receive the acclaim of his

Not that Hendry is unpopular, far from it. It is just that his recovery from 15-14 down to beat Steve Davis in the 31st and final frame of the StormSeal United Kingdom championship confirmed that his courage, if it rested to proving a series as his series. needed proving, is as great as his ability. He is terrifyingly good. This final was a classic. Not

This final was a classic. Not perhaps the best there has been but close. Davis, for so long a pale shadow of his former self, reasserted himself as the only player capable of giving Hendry a match over a long distance.

Hendry has now triumphed in five successive world ranking tournaments including last seatournaments, including last sea on's world championship and

31 successive matches. Davis once described a grand slam of all the eight ranking titles in a season as "snooker's possible dream". The closest he got was three in a row. Hendry has now won four this season and is therefore halfway there. Perhaps the only man who can beat him this season is

Hendry himself. Don't worry, I won't burn "Don't worry, I won't burn out, I'm enjoying it all far too much for that and that's the most important thing." Hendry said. "When the day comes that I get out of bed thinking oh no, not another tournament", I'll give up. But the way I'm feeling now that day is an awfully long

honest. I don't even think about records. All I'm interested in is

WHO can stop Stephen Hendry? That question has assumed a burning importance and the man who stops him can expect thinking about it - but not until

Defeat was cruel on Davis. He has made great strides in recovering both form and confidence even since losing 9-1 to Hendry in the Dubai classic just over three weeks ago and his performances during the UK have convinced him that he is capable once more of competing at the year, highest level.

the very highest level.

Hendry led Davis by 6-1 in
the first session on Saturday and that he could not sustain such form was due to Davis's resistance, a rearguard action at first and then, from 11-7 down on Sunday, a charge.
At 15-14, Davis led for the

only time in the match but Hendry's clearance of 57 from 49-0 down in the thirtieth frame will live long in the memory. That effort and the subsequent 98 to win the match he described as "the best two breaks of my career. I've never fels such preserves before and I.

breaks of my career. I've never felt such pressure before and I never expect to again."

Hendry is genuinely glad that Davis has pulled himself together and said: "We need to keep meeting in matches like that, and keep chasing each other if we are going to keep improving." Improving? Should they improve any more they will they improve any more they will be out of sight of the rest.

RESULTS: Final: S Hendry (Scot) bt S Davis (Eng.), 16-15 Frama scores (Hendry first): 116-15, 72-59, 117-7, 76-7, 91-0, 7-89, 72-27, 40-54, 83-24, 33-50, 68-74, 23-68, 29-25, 70-57, 122-0, 46-82, 91-21, 78-68

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AMERICAN FOOTBALL

Chicago wrap up divisional prize

By ROBERT KIRLEY

NEAL Anderson, renowned for times, also scored on an 11-yard his running, caught a 50-yard scamper.

pass with four minutes left in Earnest Byner rushed for 157 yards and scored three touch-downs against the league-lead-ing defence to give Washington at 42-20 win over Miami. overtime to give the Chicago Bears a 23-17 win over the Detroit Lions and a divisional championship in the National

Football League.

Rich Gannon completed 11 of
Kevin Butler had kicked a 19- 21 passes for 149 yards and yard field goal to level the scores at 17-17 with 33 left in regulation. Chicago won the coin toss for extra time but chose to play with the strong wind at their the strong wind at the str for extra time but chose to play with the strong wind at their backs and kick to the Lions.

The decision looked disasdown passes and Cleveland Gary added his league-leading.

trous when the Lions drove to fourteenth touchdown as the the Chicago 17-yard line, but Los Angeles Rams beat Cleve-Eddie Murray missed a 35-yard land 38-23. Cleveland lost their field-goal attempt. The Bears, seventh game in a row. who played dismally last year, won their sixth National Football Conference Central title in seven seasons.

Buffale took a 24-0 lead over Philadelphia then held on for a 30-23 win. Jim Kelly directed a no-huddle attack that produced four scores in the first ouncrer. four scores in the first quarter, including three touchdown passes. Philadelphia rallied by scoring 23 consecutive points, including a 95-yard scoring strike from Randall Cunningham to Eric Barnett.

Kelly's touchdown passes included a 63-varder to James Lofton, who caught five passes for 174 yards to move into third place on the league's career

receiving list. Cincinnati beat Pittsburgh for the second time in three weeks to shed one fellow divisional leader and took sole possession of first place when Houston later lost at Seattle. Norm Johnson, of Scattle, provided a 13-10 win in overtime when he kicked a 42-yard field goal against the Oilers, marking the fourth consecutive time in which a Seattle game has been decided

on the last play.

Bo Jackson rushed for 117 yards and two touchdowns, including a 62-yard run for the decisive score, and Scott Davis blocked a late field-goal attempt in the Los Angeles Raiders' 23-20 win over Denver. Jackson, who carried the ball only 13

NATIONAL CONFERENCE in-have secured play-off position, y-have won division this.

9 Dose not increase last night's game: NY Games at Sen Francisco.
FOTURES: Week 14: Sunday: Buffalo at Inderspots: Choopo at Weshington: Cove-tand at Housson; Dervey at Kerelas City, Minnesons at NY Games, New Orleans at City, Minnesons at NY Games, New Orleans at LA Hams: New England of Philadegic Photologic Admits; San Francisco ot Chicartes; Green Say V Seattle (at Milwaukes); Philadegichas at Jellams. Monday: LA Radians at Deroit.

BSkyB to cover league

By RICHARD WETHERELL

THE World League of American Football (WLAF) has finalised the television contract final, on June 1 and 2, and the final, on June 9. with British Sky Broadcasting's Eurosport for coverage of the league which starts in March. Eurosport has agreed to cover the WLAF for two years and will provide live or delayed coverage of games to 21 countries.

During the 10-week regular

season, Eurosport will show a game live each Sunday night and show a two-hour package of at least six of the Saturday evening games. The channel will

Already the WLAF has agreements with two American television companies and one in Spain, in the United States, ABC Sports will show nationally a WLAF game of the week each

Sunday, and the cable channel USA Network, will show games on Saturday and Monday nights. A Spanish station will show games featuring the Barce-lona team.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

7.30 unless stated FOOTBALL Bob Lord Trophy Second round

Merthyr v Sutton Utd ...

BASS NORTH WEST COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: Bootle v Carven. GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: Premier di-vision: Cevedon v Tiverion; Liskeard v Booton! (7.45) JEWSON EASTERN COUNTIES LEAGUE: Premier division; March Town v Newmarker, Halstead - Ciscion; Tiptree v Stowmarket.

RUGBY UNION CLUB MATCH: Boroughmuir v Edinburgh OTHER SPORT

BOWLS: Scottish singles chemoi Semi-lines and final (Comprage) ICE HOCKEY: Hemeken League: First division: Bracknell Boos y Basingstoke

SPORT ON TV

AMERICAN FOOTBALL: Eurosport 17 00-18.00 College march, 858 22.30-redright, National Fuotball Lacque, AMERICAN SPORT: BSB 17 00-18,00. BILLIARDS: Eurosport 11 00-12.00: Three-custion event from Germany. Three-custon even from Germany, BOKING: Screenpord 07 00-08-30 and 15.30-17 00: Professional events. Esreeport 20.00-21 00. EUROSPORT NEWS: Esreeport 18.30-19 00 and 23.00-23.30. FOOTBALL: Screeneport 10.00-11 00 and 15.30-17 00: Argumenta league 688 14.00-18.00, 20.00-22.00 and 00.35-02.35 fromorrow): The Gummass incoor souss, and 16.00-17 08: Scottish league.

GOLF: Screensport 23.00-01.00: US PGA highlights from Florida. highlights from Florida.
ICE NOCKEY: Estreport 09.00-10.00 and Screensport 12.00-14.00: National Hockey League. INTERNATIONAL MOTOR SPORT:

HAULTI SPORTS: Eurosport 07.30-08.30. POWERBOAT RACING: Eurosport 14.30-15.30: Ottsnore event.

VOLLEYBALL: Eurosport 15.30-17.00 The man a world championship from

Sleepless schedules criticised

TABLE TENNIS

From RICHARD EATON

IN LYONS DONALD Parker, the England captain, made strong criticisms here yesterday of the way some of the big open tournaments in Europe are scheduled, and has called for mixed doubles to be scrapped or for international team events to be reorgnanised.

Parker rightly believes that playing schedules make it stible for top professionals to do themselves justice because they do not get enough time to sleep before playing England's Commonwealth champion, Alan Cooke, took the table on Sunday against Tomas Janci, the Czechoslovakia No. 1, in the Quarter-finals of the French Open for an early morning match that prevented either player having more than five

hours' sleep. "It is asking too much of professional sportsmen to be playing so late at night and then early the next morning," Parker said. "I can't think of any other sport where this happens. They "At most of the European open tournaments we have been to, and certainly in Italy, Yugostavia and France, the schedules have not been players' schedules. They have been arranged with something else in mind.

ing about scrapping the mixed doubles or rethinking the team event. Parker was pleased with his French Open, the strongest tour-nament on the circuit, but he is likely to press for his views to be considered by the European Table Tennis Union.

Maybe they should start think

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OVERSEAS FOOTBALL Beckenbauer is still not satisfied with Marseilles

their own and although a goal by

pected better against Bordeaux,

beaten 5-0 by Roma in mid-

In Italy, Sampdoria remain on

top of the first division, despite a goalless draw with Cagliari,

who are bottom. Only goal

difference separates them from

Juventus, who beat Fiorentina.

AC Milan are a point behind,

having made hard work of

beating Lecce. Rijkaard scored

the winner with five minutes left

but by then two of the Lecce

In Spain, Atlético Madrid also reports).

players had been sent off.

A MONTH ago, Marseilles lost to Nancy, their third league defeat in six games since the appointment of Franz Becken
Dy Kellin Diaconore

A MONTH ago, Marseilles lost to Nancy, their third league four points ahead but that's my only satisfaction from this. I am only satisfaction from this. I am only satisfaction from this. I am only satisfaction from this I am only satisfaction from the European that the fixture against Germany.

THE respective coaches may not have been too ecstatic but the English Basket Ball Association (EBBA) is thrilled at the fixture appointment of Franz Beckennot happy with what I saw." bauer in September. The result knocked them from the top of Meanwhile, Auxerre, who briefly supplanted Marseilles at the top, have had troubles of the French first division for the first time in the season and it

with Bari.

Scifo gave them a point on Saturday, they might have exbauer's stay might be a short They have rarely played well who, quite apart from their troubles off the field, were since, but have managed to achieve the right sort of results. On Sunday, they beat Montpellier 2-0 and opened a four-point lead at the top, equalling their best position of the season.

began to seem that Becken-

There were also signs that some of Beckenbauer's ideas are beginning to bear fruit. The first goal against Montpellier came from Basile Boli, who until Beckenbauer's arrival, had been a defender. Since then, in a new, freer role, he has thrived, and his latest goal was his sixth in seven games, one of them coming for France in a European championship qualifier.

Still, Beckenbauer was not

BSLGIAN: Kortrik O, Lokeren 1; Eleren 2, Molenbesk O; FC Liège 1, Antwerp 1; Ghent 3, Carcle Bruges O; Anderlecht O, Macneten O; Lierse 2, Waregem O; Club Bruges 3, Berschot O; Chenterol 2, Standard O; Genk 1, 51 Thuiden D, Lesding positions (after 16 instrhes): 1, Ghent, 28pts; 2, Anderlecht, 24; 3, Club Bruges, 23.

28pts; 2, Anderlecht, 24; 3, Club Bruges, 23.

BRAZILIAN: Championship quarter-finals, second legs: Bahis 3, Bragantino 2 (Bahis von 4-3 on aggregate); Gramio 2, Palmeiras 0 (Gramio 2-1); São Paulo 1, Sentos 1 (Sao Paulo 2-1), Authoro Mineiro 0, Coriminars 0 (Coriminars 2-1).

FRENCIS Bordesur 1, Autorra 1; Cannes 1, Rennes 0, Lile 1, Caen 0, Marseiles 2, Monaco 2, Nance 2, Nance 2, Nance 2, Nance 2, Nance 1, Toulouse 1, Toulouse 1, Toulouse 1, Toulouse 1, Toulouse 1, Toulouse 1, Marseiles, 20pts; 2, Autore 2, Autornia 0, Societa 4, 3, Monaco 2, GREEK: Paraminatos 6, Xarthi 2, Olympatios 3, PAOK Selonitia 2, Serres 0, Atmaticos 2, Paraminatos 6, Xarthi 2, Olympatios 3, PAOK Selonitia 2, Serres 0, Atmaticos 2, Paraminatos 0, Alex Athens 3; OFI Cree 2, Levado 1; Panenado 1, Apolion 3, Dono 3, Yannins 0; Heradis 1, Ionikos 0, Lurisas 0, Arts Salonita 1, Leading positions (after mine materies); 1, Panathriejikos, 130-100 (after mine materies); 1, Panathriejikos, 1505; 2, Olympatios 14; 3, Athrielico, 13.

LUIZEMBOURIO: Jeunesse Esch 0, Spora Lusembourg 2, Progres Naderkorn 4, Aris Bonnevole 1; Avens: Beggen 2, CS Grevenmacher 1; Umon Lusembourg 2,

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LEAGUE OF IRELAND: Premier division:
Cort Cty 0. Shelbourne 0: Galvay United
1, Bohemians 0: St. Patrick's Aghleto 2,
Waterford United 0: Shelmock Rovers 4,
Limenck City 1: Dundalk 3, Athlone 0;
Derry City 1, Sigo Rovers 1, Leading
positions (after 14 matches): 1, Cort City
22pts; 2, St. Patrick's Art. 21: 3, Dundalk,
20.

OVERSEAS RESULTS Farense 0. Sporting 1; Gil Vicente 0. Braga 0, Guimaraes 0. Famelicao 1; Maritimo 2, Tirsense 2: Penerijel 2, Vitorie Seatael 1; Salgueiros 1. Nacional Madeira 1. Leedlag positions (afaz 15 metches); 1. Porto, 27pts. 2, Sporting, 27; 3, Bernica, 28. SPAMESTA: Real Valeadoird 0, Real Madrid 1; Castation 0, FC Seville 0; Bercelone 2. Real Melloros 1; Atteco Madrid 4, Real Zaregoza 0; Sporting Gijón 3, Cádiz 1; Ossaura Pampiona 3, Real Sociedad 1; Attelete Silbero 7, Lograries 1; Real Betts 1, Español 2; Burgos 0, Valencia 0, Leeding positions (arther 13 marches); 1. Bercelona, 22pts; 2, Lografes, 16; 3, Real Madrid, 17.

result leaves Atletico in sixth

place, six points behind Barce-lona, who beat Majorca 2-I. Real Madrid won their second

league game under the manage-ment of Alfredo di Stefano,

beating Real Valladolid with

Hugo Sánchez's ninth goal of the season. John Aldridge scored for Real Sociedad as they

PSV Eindboven maintained

their position at the top of the Dutch first division by beating

Willem II 2-0 with goals by

Bosman and Kalusha. Alax are

hot on their heels, however, a

point behind with a game in hand after beating Dea Haag S-

● ROME: Italian police yes-

terday banned 180 supporters

from sports grounds in the area

after fighting at Sunday's match between the local rivals. AS

Roma and Lazio (Reuter

were beaten by Osssuna.

Macrid, 17.
SWISS: Lausenne Q, Grasshopers Q;
Wattingen Q, Luzern Q; Young Boys 1, St.
Gallen 1; Neuchami 1, Lugario 1; Aurau
Sion Q. Son Q; Zurich 1, Servette 2,
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27 pts; 2, Lausening 20, 24; 3, Grasshoppers 19, 23.
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Gazignitepsoor 4, Carrier 1;

DRUGS IN SPORT

German federation calls crisis talks

FRANKFURT (AP) - The a Berlin newspaper for which he "Regardless of whether the FRANKFURT (AP) — The German track and field federation yesterday called an emergency meeting to discuss mounting allegations that athletes from both East and West Germany for years took performance-enhancing drugs.

The German Athletics Union, the governing body since the merger of the two nations, said the meeting, which will take

place tomorrow, will discuss the allegations and study measures aimed at preventing the taking of drugs.
The meeting comes after two

magazines accused track and

field athletes from both former

German states of using anabolic steroids to improve their Der Spiegel named two nunperformances. Yesterday, Raik Hannemann, a swimmer who won a silver medal for East Germany in the European championships, admitted that he took drugs.

allegations raised by Der Spiegel are tenable or not, I feel that the federation coach who allegedly gave steroids to women sprinters announced his resignation, while two big sponsoring com-panies said they might end their

contracts.
The magazine, Der Spiegel, has accused several wome sprinters who have represented West Germany of taking ana-bolic steroids. Another magazine, Stern, last week published documents which it claimed proved that several leading swimmers and track and field athletes from East Germany regularly took banned

basis for my work has been removed," Spilker said in a statement. The magazine had claim that Spilker learned about the best way to administer drugs from Charlie Francis, the former coach of the Canadian sprinter, Ben Johnson

German sprinters, gave steroids to two leading women runners. The growing scandal is threat-ening to cut funds provided to the track and field federation by ners coached by Jochen Spilker, sponsors. Matthias Kleinert, a the federation coach responsible spokesman for Daimler-Benz, for training women's 400-metre said the company might end its atheletes, and alleged that he £350,000 contract unless the provided written instructions to allegations are quickly investing from the consequences and "consequences" on the consequences of the consequences of the consequence of the consequ

The magazine also published allegations that Wolfgang Tuele, chief trainer for West

Intermediate squad has limited scope THE Seven Nations tour-

Saturday.

leaders, and Leeds scraping through with a late try by Schofieldagainst Hull Kingston Rovers. They now face each

other at Naughton Park in the televised second-round tie on

SWIMMING

nament in Spain in March will be the highlight of 1991 for the 24-strong England intermediate squad (Craig Lord writes). Lack of sponsorship will keep international competition to a maining for the sound, which was mum for the squad, which was created to encourage talented youngsters to continue through

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OVENDEN PAPERS CONSINATION: kg-wich v Milwell (2.0); OPR v Charton (2.0);

MOTOR SPORT: Screensport 11.00-12.00 and 17.30-18.00: Dragster racing and the German burning car champion-ships. Eurosport 21.00-22.00: The RAC Raby.

POWERSPORTS INTERNATIONAL: Screensport 20.00-21 00. RACING: BSB 13.30-14.00 and 00.05-00.35 (romorrow): Recing news. RUGBY LEAGUE: Screensport 08.30-10.00: Tour mason: France v Australia. RUGBY UNBON: Screensport 18:30-20:00; Bath, Romania, Soviet Union and Toulouse.

SNOCKER: Eurosport 12:30-14:30 and 23:30-01:30: The Asian Coen. Screensport 21:00-23:00: World Champlonamp highlights. SPORTSDESIC BSB 13.25, 18.00, 19.30, 22.00 and monitor.

Vagador has quality to defy top weight In Fontwell feature

VAGADOR can overcome The in-form Hard As Iron Newcastle and Faraworth in top weight in the Coomes may provide the greatest dan-Handicap Hurdle at ger. He was the comfortable Plumpion this afternoon winner of a conditional jock-Throughout his career he has eys' contest at Stratford last been regularly pitched against week, for which he incurs no the best, and has generally penalty, but this is a step up in acquitted himself well without quite establishing a permaclass and he also prefers a lefthanded course. Fontwell's fignent place among the highest urc-of-eight configuration rank of hurdlers. He enjoyed his greatest may not be entirely to his

Old Virginia had Wishlon triumph when landing the Waterford Crystal Supreme some five lengths behind when winning at Windsor last month but will be pressed to Novices' Hurdle at the 1988 Chehenham festival, his fifth consecutive win that season. confirm the form on 121b Success has been harder to

worse terms. come by since then and his Haitham, a 12,000 guineas purchase out of Tom Jones's only subsequent victory was a defeat of Beech Road, the Newmarket stable, was a winformer champion hurdler, ner on the Flat this season and over this course and distance can make a winning debut last term. That was on his over hurdles in the Blackheath seasonal reappearance which Novices' Hurdle. also suggests he is capable of

The Artful Rascal, a fair defying the lack of a previous second to Fortunes Wood at Leicester last month when in He bas, however, put up need of the run, is fancied to some creditable efforts in get the better of Ashfield Boy in the Greenwich Novices' defeat, including a fifth, Hurdle, while his trainer Josh to Beech Road in the 1989 Gifford can complete a double with course and distance winthat quality gives him a clear per Vincanto in the Wally chance, particularly on a Coomes Handican Chase. However, for the nap I go to

The Valley Of Fear Novices' Chase. He began the season with a win from the useful Pat's Jester in a good race at Kelso, and was not disgraced when a half-length second to Majic Rain, who received 6lb, over the same course next

George Moore, his trainer, has made a good start to the season and Farnworth has an excellent opportunity here to regain the winning thread.

I am also keen on the prospects of Steppey Lane in the The Final Solution Handicap Hurdle. She ended last jumps season with a game win from Gold Service at Haydock and, fit from the Flat, may still have scope for improvement over hurdles.

Revaro has a clear-cut chance of getting off the mark after two creditable seconds in The Hound Of The Baskervilles Novices' Hurdle while Tranquil Waters should take The Sign Of Four Claiming Hurdle.

At Leicester, Decent Man appeals as the best bet on the programme in division one of



Vagador heads the weights for the Coomes Handicap Hurdle at Fontwell Park

FONTWELL PARK

Selections By Mandarin

12.45 Snitterfield.

beaten just over three lengths.

Champion Hurdle. Form of

course which suits him well.

2.15 Vincanto.

Michael Seely's selection: 1.45 VAGADOR (nap).

Going: good to firm (chase course); good (hurdles) 12.45 COOMES CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS SELLING CHASE (£2,222: 2m 2i 110yd) (9

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1.15 BLACKHEATH NOVICES HURDLE (3-Y-O: £1,380: 2m 2f) (20 runners)

CASTLE SERRADE 22F (J. Dumbrel) A Moore 10-11 ... C Moore 45 PLORIDA GOLD 71F (K. Ecook) D Wisson 10-11 ... Lee O'Nime (7) 85 PLORIDA GOLD 71F (K. Ecook) D Wisson 10-11 ... K. Missoniy HAITMAM 135F (N. Estree) R Akehuret 10-11 ... L. Harvey P. HEMB LE CONTE 74F (Mr. B. Powel) M McCormack 10-11 ... L. Harvey P. Markey 10-12 ... L. Harvey P. Markey 10-11 ... M Culeman ... JALANGO 220F (Mr. A. Sheton) P Meson 10-11 ... M Culeman ... B JALANGO 220F (Mr. A. Sheton) P Meson 10-11 ... D Madgrets (7) ... 11 MASROUG 182F (J. Povend) A Moore 10-11 ... D Madgrets (7) ... MASROUG 182F (J. Povend) A Moore 10-11 ... Casdy Monte ... 12 MOCTNERS SON 174F (M. Leven) R Stropon 10-11 ... Casdy Monte ... 12 MOCTNERS SON 174F (M. Leven) R Stropon 10-11 ... S Hodgrets (7) ... 15 MOCTNERS SON 174F (M. Leven) R Stropon 10-11 ... S Hodgrets (7) ... 15 MOCTNERS SON 174F (M. Shore) Miss L. Bower 10-11 ... S Hodgrets (7) ... 16 YOU JEST 172F (S) (Mrs. J. Ward) P Hooger 10-11 ... R Ballets (9) ... M Perrett ... 16 MOCTNERS CUICKLY 48F (Mrs. J. Ward) P Hooger 10-8 ... M Rechards ... 18 LLAKELY 24 (G Ross Greene Ros 10-8 ... P McDerast ... 19 Misson ... 18 Sulck Calenty 74F (M. Recharge) D Elwords 10-6 ... P McDerast ... 19 Misson Lee O'Here (7)

1989. CARMAGNOLE 10-11 M Perrett (4-7 fav) G Herwood 11 ran

FORM FOCUS CRYSTAL BEAM beat King's Shring 24st at Pumpton (2m. good to firm) SRI MCK 1 % 2nd to Shariffer at Windson (2m. 30yd, good to firm) on Shariffer at Windson (2m. 30yd, good to firm) on Shariffer at Windson (2m. 30yd, good to firm) on Shariffer at Windson (2m. 30yd, good to firm) on Shariffer at Windson (2m. 30yd, good to firm) on Shariffer at Structure start, with LLAMELLY brought down better the 2nd Last hime put. Deat Ba-Yermou 12st at Notingram (2m. good).

NOTITIES SOLDIER XI 2nd to Captain Chrome in a 9-surrer setting nurder at Towcaster (2m. good).

MORTHERN VILLAGE 48 3rd of 17 to Prost at Selections SRI NOCK.

Course specialists

NEWCASTLE*

Selections

Michael Seely's selection: 1,30 Revaro.

1 2120/12 FARMWORTH 13 (BF.G.S) (Mrs M Bird) G Moore 7-11-7 [III Dwyser 2 25:00-45 AM JIM LAD 18 IÑ COORET P Morrison 6-11-0 [L O'Mars IS]
3 3-3224 BIXIO 25 (Mrs F Boyrnon) J Crammon 6-11-0 [R Success P Suc

BETTING: 11-6 Farmworth, 5-2 Slave Time, 6-1 Blato, Bullet Train, 15-2 Traumanic Laure, 10-1 Brig's

1989: NO CORRESPONDING MEETING

1.30 THE HOUND OF THE BASKERVILLES NOVICES HURDLE (£1,716: 2m) (12

1 00-8712 DAMAMOUR 53 (F) (K Fraser) G Richards 4-11-7 N Oceaghty
1 0886-5 BLUE GRAT 17 (C Wilson) M Doos 6-11-0 A Barrigan
140 BURN BRIDGE 25 (B) (GBI 5 Puner/Enet Lto) M Hammond 4-11-0 J Callegras (3)
150 BURN BRIDGE 25 (B) SC I ST NA'S G Revent 6-11-0 D D ST NA'S C REVENTIEL ASF (D S) CLARI MAS G Revent 6-11-0 C Grant I MONKESACRE (W Seepnetson) & A Seepnetson 6-11-0 D J Starten (7)
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1.0 THE VALLEY OF FEAR NOVICES CHASE (£2,112-3m) (10 runners)

2120/12 FARNWORTH IS (BF.G.S) (Mrs M Bird) G Moore 7-11-7___

ional as well. Trainer Henrietta Knight said yesterday: "The owners don't want to risk him at Aintree, they think the race is too much of a lottery." The eight-

1.00 FARNWORTH (n2p).

Going: good (good to firm in places)

2.00 Tranquil Waters.

1.30 Revaro.

 Von Csadek is a doubtful runner for the Weish National at Chepstow and will almost certainly miss the Grand National but his young inder Patrick Worrall would have to put up about 10lb overweight. Von Csadek is more likely to run either at Cheltenham

2.30 Steppey Lane.

Gorman (3) ---TRaed 95

3.30 Flying Solo.

1.45 COOMES HANDICAP HURDLE (26,264: 2m 2f) (11 runners)

BETTING: 11-4 Herd As Iron, 3-1 Vagador, 9-2 Wishlon, 11-2 Tree Poppy, 7-1 Old Virginia, 10-1 Al Ascot, 14-1 Good Clause 25-1 others. 1989. KADAN 5-19-6 S Smith Eccles (3-1) M Templates B ran

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2.15 WALLY COOMES HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (£2,454: 2m 2l 110yd) (5 runners)

1 312745 SOUTHERMAR 207 (B.CD.F.G.S) (S Powell) J. Jandins 10-12-0 90
2 1327-F BREAKFAST CAR 8 (CD.F.S) (J Gren) D Gressel 6-11-9 H Device 90
3 12315F BROAD BRAIN 18 (BF.F.G.S) (G Wood) P ropos 10-11-7 C Blacke (S) 97
4 52-122 VenCANTO 18 (CD.B.F.G.) (NAS C Calevorativ) J GROSS 6-10-11 Repose 69 5
5 1467-03 NEVER A PENNY 20 (B.CD.S) (J Mooney) J Elsott 7-10-0 R Guest 89

BETTING: 7-4 Vincento 9-4 Broad Beam, 4-1 Southerneir, 9-2 Breakfast Car, 18-1 Never A Penny. 1969: HERBERT UNITED 10-12-0 ; From (5-6 few) G Balding 5 ran

FORM FOCUS SOUTHERNAIR tailed | Another Core! a head (pair clear) at Stratford (2m.

at Stratford (2m 6f, good to firm) in May Course specialist who acts on any surface.

SREAKFAST CAR left at the first behind Pin's Pride at Endiastone on reappearance (2m 4f good to firm). Best Silver Camon 2 over course and distance (good) NEVER A PEWNY weathern in March BROAD BEAM tel 2m behind Star's Delight at Ascot (2m, good to firm) has time out Best Silver Camon 2 over course and distance (good) NEVER A PEWNY weathern in Silver Course and Silver Course and Silver Course and distance (good) NEVER A PEWNY weathern in Silver Course and

2.45 COOMES SENIOR CITIZENS NOVICES CHASE (£2,115: 3m 2f 110yd) (6 runners) 1 P23-RT1 MA FLYER 29 (F) (C Humo) P Butter 5-11-2 M Kinene 81 2 23/PF-03 DAYSHOOK VERB 12 (R Brown) J Honeytes 8-10-10 S Mothest 72 3 FPP-PP0 (JEX 4 (D Bass) Mas L Bower 7-10-10 R Rowell — 4 PUPE-6 (KELLYE Pal. 13 (R Andrews) Mrs E Andrews 7-10-10 Mrs R Andrews — 5 6/P2225 MASTER COMEDY 277 (Mass J Witkinson) Mes L Bower 6-10-10 S Hodgson (7) 6-96 6 FP4-F250 TRYUMPHANT LAD 10 (M Dessiey) T Jones 6-10-10 H Device 91 BETTING: 2-1 Tryumphant Lad. 5-2 Master Comedy, 3-1 Mass Mfs Piyer, 10-1 Kellys Pel, 14-1 others.

1980: DAMERS CAVALRY 8-10-10 8 Dowling (5-6 fav) R Lee 9 ran

FORM FOCUS MATTA MAR RLYER promption (2m 4f good to firm) MASTER COMEDY to find remounted Crewfordstown a distance or Pumpton (2m 1f, 8m) in October Direction of the Stance of Ren to Go West at Newbury (2m 160yd, find remounted Crewfordstown a distance or Pumpton (3m 1f, 8m) in October Direction of the season of the Stance Course and distance (good to find find the stance of the stance course and distance (good to find find the stance of the stan

3.15 GREENWICH NOVICES HURDLE (£1,360. 2m 6f) (14 runners)

FORM FOCUS ASHFELD BOY 2 Items 1411 Sin ORANGEY 6I 3rd to Hascombe Hill as former pecked lest, to Banker's Gosso is Wincardon (2m 61 good) RYTON RUN weakened 2 out when 350 4th to formering FBMAL TOP weakened 2 out when 350 4th to Pour Vision at Acctor (2m 41, good to firm).

JUNCER JACK 1794 4th to Southern Supreme at Windard (2m 91, good), with FRANS GRIL (same Windard Ack 1794 4th to Southern Supreme at Windard (2m 91, good), with FRANS GRIL (same

Guide to our in-line racecard

113143 GOOD TIMES 13 (BF,F,Q,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 12-0 ... Rececard number Six-figure form (F - felt P - puted up. U - unesetted note: B - brought down. S - slipped up. H - refused. (F - firm. good to firm. hard. G - good to firm. hard. B - good to firm. hard. G - good to firm. hard. S - soit, good to soit. heavy) Owner in since tast outing: F if flat (B - piloher's V - vitor H - hood E - Expensed C - course and hardcapper's raing.

2.0 THE SIGN OF FOUR CLAIMING HURDLE (4-Y-0: £1,520: 2m 4f) (8 runners)

G ABITECARRE 19 (C Perve) C Perve 11-0 A Partes (7)

3232 DANCING DAVS N (M,BF) & Partes 13-0 N Sents (5)

05988-4 BESHOPSFORD 6 (Mrs.) Waggoot N Waggoot (10-7 Miles 1 Waggoot)

18-90 NRD BRIDGES 32 (Pyres Nesson) J Dooler 10-5 P Woodnouse 10-5 J J Gurno

18-80-9 Sity WATCHER 10 (Pers Nesson) J Dooler 10-6 P Miles (7)

300 GUE BELLA 17 (NOTHURDER LEGITE LIG) J Charlton 10-3 B Stormy

4000 FM A MISS 25 (W Stephenson) W A Stephenson 10-2 A Lemach (7) BETTING: Evens Tranquil Wesers, 5-2 Dancing Days, 4-1 Bishopsford, 8-1 Sky Watcher, 10-1 Fm A

2.30 THE FINAL SOLUTION HANDICAP HURDLE (\$2,085: 2m) (11 runners)

1 1FP22-2 STAY AWAKE 19 (SF.D.F.Q.S) (A Connection) J (Think 4-11-10... 11-4 DALE PAIR CT (D.C.G.) (FUE CYCLE TROYOGYERAGE & PIC) N Tinkle
21- STEPPET LAME 25F (D.G.) (C Emmerson) W Heapt 5-11-4.
11080-3 SKOLERNI 17 (D.F.OL) (I Grovest A Harmon 6-11-2.
412-65 LOQAMHO 13 (D.F.) (M Homeson) J Helens 4-10-13.
144 SELDINE 17 (D.F.) (W Monteson) P Monteuth 5-10-8.
13180-0 AFRICAM SPRIT 8 (D.F.) (G Tutts) R Whitaker 8-10-7.
383913- UF-A-POINT 38F (D.F.) (D Hom) F Lee 5-10-2. . A Drithey & BS Long handicap: Great Law 9-13, Al Shamikh 9-6.

SETTINGS 9-4 Date Park, 7-2 Stay Awake, 9-2 Steppey Lane, 7-1 Skolem, 8-1 Up-A-Point, 10-1 Ink Spleen, 12-1 Amosin Sprin, Great Levr, 14-1 others.

3.0 SILVER BLAZE HANDICAP CHASE (£3,416: 2m) (2 runners)

RETTING: 4-6 Greenheart, Evens Melideour 3.30 A STUDY IN SCARLET NOVICES HURDLE (\$1,590: 3m) (10 runners)

he received the International trainer of the Year award at the Horserace Writers and Reporters luncheon in London yes-"in a democracy the chiefs of

Cole criticises

Jockey Club

racing would find themselves out of office like Margaret Thatcher," he said. Cole took the title with nine prize-money. overseas victories yielding more than £1 million in prize-money. Man 2.1 million in prize-money.

AWARD Wheelers: Owner of the Year, hardon Al-Malcourt Fiel transer: Jack Serry. Fast jockey: Lantzaro Deport. National funat trainer: Martin Pipe Net-lonel Hust jockey: Peter Scudemore. Racing journalist: Forly Morra Fish hand lad: Coth Nurser National Hust head lad: Seven Fox. Services to International Recing: Louis Romanat. International trainer: Paul Cole.

Ambitious plans for Morley Street after decisive win

the Breeders' Cup Chase at Belmont Park, New York, in October, enjoyed the perfect start over fences in Britain at

Worcester yesterday. The Toby Balding-trained six-year-old never put a foot wrong and outclassed his eight rivals in the Fred Rimell Memorial Nov-

ices' Chase
Jimmy Frost, reaching a
cureer total of 300 including point-to-point wins, was thrilled with Morley Street's perfor-mance. "He's well in front of anything I've been privileged to ride," Frost said. "Everything went to plan. I'm sure he'll stay any distance and when he goes up a couple of gears you'll really see him jump." Balding said: "I don't think

fences are going to be a problem for him. He runs next at Kempton on Boxing Day. He'll be entered in both novice chases but I think he'll go for the three-

The ambitious objective for Moriey Street, however, is the Scagram Challenge, comprising the Reynoldstown Chase at Ascot. Cheltenham's Sun Alliance Chase and the Mumm Club Chase at Liverpool's Grand National meeting.
To wan all three brings a
£50,000 bonus on top of the
three handsome individual

At Kelso, Magomed Tokov became the first Soviet jockey to score in Britain when riding Macho Man to victory in the Maxwell Motors Glasnost Handicap Hurdle His triumph helped the Soviet Union to win

the three-cornered international challenge with England second and Scotland third.

Tokov, aged 31, always looked confident of success on the Jogio O'Neill-trained five-year-old and owner Geoffrey Wilson was delighted with Tokov's performance. "The jockey rode my horse particu-larly well." he said.

Tarian Takeover, the 11-4 on favounte, proved a decisive winner of the three-runner Cochranes Of Berwick Perestroika Handscap Chase. Chris Grant partnered the eight-yearold in the second leg of the international event after being drawn to ride him rather than Tasar for his retaining trainer

Richards holds strong hand

CLEVER Folly, the beaten favourite for the Mackeson Gold Cup at Cheltenham last month, is one of three Gordon Richards-trained five-day acceptors for the A F Budge Gold Cup Handicap Chase at the same course on Saturday.

Richards could also be represented by Full Strength and Highfrith, who collects a 6lb penalty for winning at Wetherby last Saturday.

last Saturday.

A F BUDGE GOLD CUP HANDICAP CHASE (Grade III £40,000 acced 2m 4) (15 hvs-day succeptors) himosoper 6-11-10. Kersbette 7-11-5. Cever Folly 10-11-3. Al Hashmu 6-10-10 Full Swingth 7-10-10, Cucty Dale 7-10-8 hos his Gaophe 7-10-8 highway 7-10-8 figs aut, Ther-An-Brant B-10-5. Capters Mor 8-10-5 New Halen 9-10-4. Wignown Bay 7-10-1. Support Twn 11-10-1. Dadle £2-10-0, Pin's Pride 8-10-0.

Sandown sponsorship features Temple Stakes PAUL Cole had some harsh Words for the Jockey Club when SANDOWN Park yesterday an-

nounced a three-year sponsor-ship deal worth £210,000 with the Indian-based UB group of companies. The centrepiece of the company's corporate raceday, the first of which will take place on May 27 next year, is the group two Temple Stakes, which will carry £50,000 in added

The group three Cementone Henry II Stakes, the United Breweries Filhes Stakes, a listed race, and a full supporting programme including the King-fisher Lager Whitsun Cup will also be backed by UB.

The UB Group's backing must be welcomed by everyone in racing, particularly in the

present financial climate," said Robert Browse of United Racecourses. "It is granfying for United Racecourses to be going against the trend with the support of an established inter-

national company."

Edinburgh is to offer a £5,000 bonus to the owner of any horse winning more than five races at the Musselburgh course during the 1990-91 National Hunt

Sam Morshead, the clerk of the course at Edinburgh, where the first jumps meeting of the season takes place next Monday, said: "I'm delighted to be able to provide this incentive for owners and it is hoped that someone will be able to win the bonus."

LEICESTER

Selections

By Mandarin 12.30 Kino. 1.0 Lady Primrose, 1.30 Decent

Michael Seely's selection: 2.0 Hasty Diver. The Times Private Handicapper's top rating 3.0 TARKOVSKY.

Going: good (chase course); soft (hurdles) SIS 12.30 MISTLETOE NOVICES HURDLE (£1,380: 2m)

1 BB16 CORINTHIAN GIRL \$ (B,D,F) R Dickin 10-11 901 SABEAU 10 (0 K Worgen 10-11 A 3 Smith (7)
BAONTARAN 200F Mrs A King 10-10 B Democod;
P DERWENT WATERS 8 T Thomson Jones 10-10
D Galagha

EASY BUCK 35F N George 10-10 D Gellegher 53U HNTLERNAN HARRY 13 (8) G Prechard-Gordon (0-10 8 Belle Ecolom 6 (ONO 31 S Sherwood 10-10 D D D D D D D D D D D

2-7 Isabeeu, 11-4 Hintlestern Harry, 4-1 Coringtian Girl, 8-1 Rainton Leep, 7-1 Easy Buck, 12-1 Kino, 16-1 others. 1.0 CHRISTMAS CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS SELL-ING HURDLE (£1,590: 2m) (9) 1 214 CLOS DU BOIS 4P (D) Nos N Mecauley 11-5

2 3002 DECEMBIG BID 13 J Long 11-0 ... Leave Long 55
3 60 EXCELSE 14 J Jerndre 11-0 ... M Abern
4 50 PUTURE (\$LONY 25 A Ports 11-0 ... T Ports (\$)
6 80-0 SHLEY PORTH 11 BORDON 11-0 ... J Restpon
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9 POR PURKES 8 R DOSON 10-9 ... D Migracità (\$)
9 4 Lady Primites 8 1 DOSON 10-9 ... D Migracità (\$)
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9-4 Lady Printrose, 3-1 Adeline Lynn, 9-2 Clos Du Bois, 5-1 Excelsis, 6-1 Deciding Std, 10-1 Punits, 16-1 others. 1.30 CHRISTMAS TREE CHASE (Div I: £2,380: 2m

8 6-43 PENALTY DOUBLE 12 (F.S) C Brooks 6-11-0 7 21-3 REPEAT THE DOSE 17 (D.F.) I Etherington 5-11-0
E Marphy 8 902 MULLOCK GRAE 17 (8) D Highdeon 6-10-9 R Derivatory 9 F-SS WE'RE IN THE MONEY 18 (6) K Burks 6-10-8 Y James

5-2 Multoch Brae, 3-1 Penalty Double, 9-2 Repeat The Dose, 5-1 Decent Man, 7-1 Forem Rain, 10-1 others.

2.0 HOLLY HANDICAP CHASE (£3,184: 3m) (12) 1 P-22 DE BROKE 10 (D.BF,S) A Turnell 6-11-10 R Bos

2 6FG. RANDOMLY 282 (D.F.Q.6) C 8el 11-11-4 J Casciner (7) 285 (DROSWOOD KITCHENS 12 (F,Q) P Clerke 10-11-4 J Flood 4 -283 PITHY 20 (Q) Mrs N Sharpe 8-11-1 J Flood 5 PP-5 CASTLE GAKS 20 (Q.5) D Gandolfo 7-10-13

6 3-54 COUTURE COLOR 19 (5) J Mackie 7-10-13 8 J O'Medi 7 523- LAID BACK 305 (D.Q.S) R 7 20: 9-10-11 8 J O'Medi 8 22-1 PERMICK 15 (CDLF-Q) R Lee 10-10-10 . W McFarfand 9 3-44 WHAT A WALLY 15 (F) W Chine 8-10-5 J Resiton 10 P-13 GROWELANCS 10 (F.S) R Curits B-10-5 R Goschiston 11 1979 HILL OF SLANE 776 (CDLF-Q.S) K Burks 14-10-4

7-4 Pernoic, 3-1 Hasty Diver, 9-2 Die Groke, 7-1 Phhy, What A Wally, 10-1 Grovelands, 14-1 Castle Oaks, 20-1 ogners. 2.30 CHRISTMAS TREE CHASE (Div II: £2,380: 2m

1 24-6 CALAPAEZ 15 (D,F,G,B) Miss B Sanders 8-11-0 B Person 6 SON TUDOR JUSTICE SIS R Les 8-11-0 W MoFertand

5-4 Calapsez, 13-8 Cardinal Ralph, 7-1 Creesger, 12-1 The Tarten Sparten, 16-1 Tudot Justice, 20-1 Mr Rumpole,

3.0 IVY HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,166: 2m 4f) (18) 1 E/1- ROYAL GOSSIP 270 (D.C.S) Mrs I McKle 8-11-11

A JOSE THE PAPPARAZI SSS (CD,BF,G,B) B Curiey IO 11-2 D Marphy

14 P1-5 LORD ROLFE SI (D.S) C Weedon 4-10-0 A Goldstein 15 015- MOST INTERESTING 156 (S) G Jones 5-10-0 16 5-00 DREMAU'S TROVE 32 (F.G.S) H CORINGTOOM 9-10-0

7-2 Officer Growler. 4-1 New Amengement, 5-1 Terkovsky, 6-1 Es-Port, 6-1 Noel Luck, 6-1 Royal Gossip, 10-1 others.

Course specialists TRAINERS: R Lee, 6 winners from 16 runners, 37 5%; J Mackie, 3 from 9, 33.3%, 6 Curily 3 from 11, 27 3%, N Genetice, 4 from 21, 19.0%; A Turnell, 5 from 28, 17.8%; J T Gifford, 4 from 29, 13.8%. JOCKEYS: S Smith Eccles, 9 winners from 39 rides, 23 1%; J Frost 3 from 15, 20,0% 8 de rean, 8 from 43, 18,6%, D Murphy, 4 from 28, 14,3%, R Dunwoody, 8 from 57, 14,0%, J Osborne, 3 from 23, 13,0%.

Results from yesterday's two meetings

Worcester

Going: good 1.0 (2m hdle) 1. CHANANCE (M Foster. 6-4): 2. Rowhedge (S Curran, 11-6 tav), 3. Holme Hate (S Burrough, 5-1). ALSO RAN 10 Eurolasy (St), 16 Buchard Haze (ut), 50 Construction King (4m), Ricerasy Boots (pu), 7 cm 21. 6, 8, dash M Pge 48 Wellington, Tone 22.00, E1.40, E1.20, DP 22.00, GSF, £4.00.

22.00 CSF. (24.00.
1.30 (2m ch) 1, ROMAN DART (S McNed. 19-1); 2 Forced March (J Frost, 2-1 lav); 3 Kings Foursale (I Lawrence, 9-1). ALSO GAN 5-2 Terra Di Sana, 9 Evercore (Sop. 10 Saran Soy (est), 14 Mangrone (Sop. 10 Saran Soy (est), 14 Mangrone (Sop. 10 Saran Soy (est), 14 Mangrone (Sop. 10 Saran Soromer (pu) 8 yan. NR. Priscillan 5t. 19t. 19t. 301 (2 M Soudamore & Hospital); 15te; (27.30; 22.50. £1 40 £2 10 Dual Greeset. £21.80. CSF. £27.34. Tricast. £151.70. 2.0 (3m ch) 1 FINGEST (T Wall 2-1); 2, Quiden Priend (H Denne, 11-10 text; 3, Comre (B Powel, 8-2) ALSO RAW 13-2 With Gods Help (4m) 4 ran, NR; Silver Pela, 10, 41, dist P Event et Welstippool. Total 23 10, DF; 22.30 CSF 24.56. Total E3 10. DF: 22.30 CSF 24.56.
2.30 (2m hdis) 1, SMRRIDUR (H Davies, 8-1) 2 Child Of The Ilitar to Osborne, 9-4 favi 3 Cleanic Statement (M Priman 9-2).
ALSO RAN 6 A Secol Lad, 11 Seri Aghem (8m), 16 Orwing Fords, Frisco City, Tuffer, 20 Americ Notice (4th), York Street, 25 Maytes Mary (cr.), Mass Saresans. 33 Dee Jay Pea (5th), Henry Wood, Pol Stat, 50 Jahrean, Puli The Pin, 66 Dorsen's Design, Pingl Movement, Hindersends, Socitish Coud, Thattherme 22 ran, Md. 194, 44, 8, ns. A J Wiscon & Chatterment, Tosic P12.00 E2.90, 21 70, 22.20, DF: torsots: £18 10 CSF, 226 17.
3.0 (2m et cn) 1, MORLEY STREET (J

ALSO RAN: 11-4 Just Rose 9 interplay (ser), 14 Madistor. Express Air (Sch), 25 Pre Lamps. Gorse Humer (Str), Lord Capsano (pul, 25 Aphasons. Drowsy, Againstoane, 100 Vicousands Genpower, Smooth Start 15 ran 4; 3%), 8; 1%, nr. 7 Forestr at Lesconce Basset, from \$2.80, £1.70, \$5.90, \$1.70. DF: £41.40. CSF: \$25.50. CSF. £388; £4 Lasch, \$3.11; 2 Justy Jill (J. Callegnan, 7-76, 251.87 Tracest £271.51.

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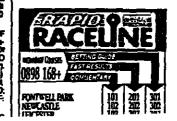
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Course specialists

Durand drafted in to solve Oxford's stand-off problem

represented their countries in the 1987 World Cup and may

reasonably hope to do so again

after dislocating a kneecap.

Therefore, Oxford have been

forced to restructure their

midfield which has not been

too painful a task, given the

understanding which has

centre, and Rory Moloney.

Oxford's problem has been at stand-off half where, after experimenting with four play-

ers, Jan Durand, the Stellen-

bosch University graduate and one of four South Africans

in the XV, will win his blue.

Cambridge, too, had prob-

lems plugging that gap until Adrian Davies recovered from

a neck injury midway through

term. Since his return, though,

the back division has acquired

a bright new sheen with the

Welsh half backs, Davies and

grown between Phil

Glanville, the England

The fifth absent blue is

in the 1991 tournament.

OXFORD University's side in Toshiyuki Hayashi, se-to challenge for the Bowring lected by Japan at lock but Bowl against Cambridge a playing loose-head prop week today will include four against Cambridge. Both blues, which is less than half the number in residence. But there has been no last-minute rapprochement (indeed there was seldom likely to be one) between the feuding elements James Elliott, the centre who of last season, which must will miss the rest of this season strengthen Cambridge's prospects of retaining the bowl in the 109th University match at

Mark Egan, Oxford's captain, has won general approval for his handling of his inexperienced side, both on tour in the Far East and during this term; his commitment to his players has met with an equal response and Egan himself, much though he may regret the absence of the ability of two Australian internationals, Brian Smith and Troy Coker, the Australian under-21 prop. Morgan Jones, and the American prop, Don James, will suffer no qualms at fielding the XV announced yesterday at the offices of C. T. Bowring

It includes one capped player in Gary Hein, the Andy Booth, making the best American wing, and a second of many options given them

TEAMS FOR TWICKENHAM

NZ deny receiving invitation

EDDIE Tonks, chairman of the New Zealand Rugby Union council, denied yesterday that his country had received an invitation to tour South Africa (David Hands writes). He was South African Rugby Board, that a "strong" country was willing to visit the republic next

Tonks expressed surprise that Craven should have made such bullish comments at a politically sensitive time, and also that any country might consider risking its involvement in the 1991 World Cup in order to visit South Africa. "I think it's pie-inthe-sky stuff," he added.

New Zealand are scheduled officially to tour South Africa in 1992. It is the Australian Rugby Union whose attitude towards South Africa has been particularly supportive, but most of the world's leading countries al-ready have their pre-World Cup tour plans firmly in place. Somerset will appear in their third colts county championship in four years when they play Lancashire at Twickenham on December 15.

 Yorkshire have named an unchanged team for the ADT county championship division one north game against

CXFORD UNIVERSITY: C Haby (Presentation Brothers, Cork and St Anne's); "G Helin (Teit HS and St Anne's); "G Helin (Teit HS and St Anne's); "G Gisswille (Bryanston and St Catherine's), R Moloney (Presentation Brothers, Cork and St Anne's); S Barcisy (Otchia CS, Swanses, and St Catherine's); J Durand (Paul Ricos Gymnasium and Tampieton), A Moore (Liamishen GS and St Anne's); T Hayselni (Tokoshima Tycholau HS and St Catherine's), "E Norwiz, (SA Collegiste and University), D Roberts (Kewick and St Anne's), "W Silliantein (Wellington College and Wystifte Hall), C Bonkern

The enigma of the divisional series

By DAVID HANDS DIVISIONAL rugby, enjoyed by those who succeed in it but

loathed by those who do not. may be under review. John Elliott, the England selector, said yesterday that the stability of the national side made the championship less relevant but confirmed that it would "always have a place in the system; it's a matter of where that place is".

Elliott, the former Notting-ham hooker, added: "Four or five years ago, the divisional championship was absolutely vital for English rugby but with the success of the leagues, which no one could have envisaged at the time, the divisional matches are not so important.

that the recent success of rughy side is a relatively settled one -has made selection so much

Martin Johnson, who missed his first divisional appearance weekend because of a shoulder injury, receives his opportunity on Saturday when the Midlands play London, the holders, in the ADT championship at the Stoop Memorial ground. Johnson, the Leicester lock, will come in for Tim Rodber, of Northampton, in the only change to the Midlands side that beat the South and

ments where he will be joined by Neil Back, the Leicester flanker, now recovered from injury, who displaces Nick Dyte, of North-ampton. Paul Rendall, the experienced Wasps prop, also London, whose XV is unchanged from that which disposed of the North 43-8. The North's selectors met last

Rodber reverts to the replace-

by a combative pack. Cam-bridge field six blues and have

been able to graft on the considerable skills of Tony Underwood, also a B inter-national, and Andrew Parton,

the former Loughborough full

Loughborough colleagues, the flankers Glen Taylor and

David Roberts, in the Oxford

Cambridge's main problem

has been the front row where

they have played as many

individuals at hooker as Ox-

ford have employed at stand-

off half. Two student

internationals, John Locke

and Gavin Baldwin, have

failed to win places which

have gone instead to Calum Bannerman and Finbarr Grif-

fin, late of Blackrock College

and University College, Dub-

lin. His presence and that of

Jim O'Callaghan brings to five

the number of Irishmen at

Twickenham, to go with Egan, Moloney and Charles Haly

from Oxford: familiar accents

for Owen Doyle, the match

The new north stand was

granted a safety certificate by

Richmond Council yesterday so there will be 57,300 spec-

tators. The front two rows will

not be used, but the availabil-

ity of the back rows in the third tier will enable 2,000

applicants for tickets to watch

This is the fifteenth year of

Bowring's involvement with

the universities, their sponsor-

ship embracing the "little University match", between

Cambridge LX Club and Ox-

ford Greyhounds which will

be played today at Grange

Road, and the under-21 game

to be played next Tuesday

By Peter Bills

THE priorities which once included

captaining England are somewhat less exacting today for Nigel Melville. On

the morning of a recent league match

for his Yorkshire club, Otley, he fitted

in 18 holes of golf and a spot of lunch

before sauntering down to the rugby

But the flame of competition still

burns in the former Wasps, England

and British Lions scrum half and

captain. Melville's enduring quality

has been an essential factor in the rise

of Otley to the leadership of the

Courage League fourth division north. With four of their five remaining

matches being against the bottom clubs

in their division, Otley and Melville are

The progress of the little club in the Dales, north of Bradford and Leeds,

has been astonishing. Their last league

match was watched by 2,500, a figure

many first division clubs would covet.

Bar takings can amount to £3,000 on a

Many followers have been lured by

the success engendered partly by

Melville's return to fitness and form.

firmly in line for promotion.

good match night.

THE Scottish Rugby Union

(SRU) is likely to discuss the future of the Scotland coach, Ian

McGeechan, at next weekend's

selection meeting. McGeechan, who is regarded as the best

rugby coach in the world, re-vealed last weekend that he has

been granted three months' unpaid leave from his teaching

job by his employers. Leeds city council, for the period of the five

That poses an immediate

problem for the SRU, which

according to Robin Charters, its

vice-president, has been consid-

ering the long-term situation regarding McGeechan for

rule out the possibility of McGeechan being offered a post as the SRU director of coaching. "That would have to be in the

Yesterday, Charters did not

ome considerable time"

night to consider how best to recover ground after such a drubbing. They play the South-West at West Hartlepool on Saturday and will be without Martin Hynes, the Orrell prop, and Martin Strett, his colleague at stand-off half, because of injury. They also fear that Nigel Heslop, the Orrell wing, may not have recovered from a bruised hip, and Paul Cusack,

also of Orrell, stands by.
Martin Whitcombe, of Sale, and David Pears, of Harlequins, will replace Hynes and Strett respectively, as they did during the game against London, but Simon Langford, of Orrell, is dropped from centre and Gra-ham Childs, of Wasps, added to the squad. The North had hoped to employ Kevin Simms, of Liverpool St Helens, but he pulled a hamstring playing for Lancashire against Yorkshire. Gerry Ainscough, of Orrell, was

injured in the same game.

THE expanding world of golf in various parts of the world has landed another spectacular tournament under lucrative sponsorship. It is the Johnnie Walker world championship, which aims to bring together the top 26 players in the world for a 72-hole event at the Tryall Club in Jamaica from December 19 to 22 next year.

The first prize will be \$525,000 (about £270,000) and the last \$50,000. The total purse will be \$2.5 million (about

be formed this month to lay down the precise terms of qualification, but the winners of will be for the committee to decide which other tournaments. Cormack's World Match Play Championship at Wentworth is looking decidedly tacky around

will surely accelerate a corporate

decision about his long-term

relationship with the SRU

which could become the second of the home unions, following

Wales, to appoint a director of

The SRU has delayed its

pronouncement on how it is to interpret the relaxation of the

International Board Regulation 4 on rewards from communica-

tion and appearances. Yes-terday, Bill Hogg, the SRU secretary, said: "We are arrang-ing a meeting with the senior players to discuss these matters

and will be bring up the question of agents. We anticipate having matters in place before the end

of the year."
On the subject of a Scottish
Cup competition, Hogg believes

despite strong obstacles in its path "a Scottish Cup will hap-

pen". It appears that no club in Scotland was against the in-

No appearance money will be paid in Jamaica, which caused McCormack, who is involved in this new venture, to comment "If you can't get players with this kind of prize-money I dread

to think what you have got to do to get them."
That sounded rich, coming from a man who has spear-headed the demand for appear-ance money on behalf of Nick

No doubt, Lnc Beausoleil enjoyed scoring 13 goals for Swindon Wildcats against Trafford Metros, but the final scoreline of 23-5 (the second

RESULTS: Heiselber Langue: Prumier cilvialor: Cardiff Davils 3, Nottragham Partiters 2: Fife Pyent 4, Duthers Muspe 7; Peterborough Pirates 5, Ayr Raiders 5; Westerborough Porates 5, Ayr Raiders 5; Claveland Bornbers 6, Cardiff Davils 6; Claveland Bornbers 6, Cardiff Davils 6;

MOTOR SPORT

Mansell settles action out of court

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THE High Court action brought against Nigel Mansell, Britain's leading racing driver, by Michael Watt, his former manager, was settled yesterday on andisclosed terms. Watt had been claiming at least \$1.2 million (£618,000) for alleged breach of contract by Mansell.

Michel Kallipetis QC, counsel for managing director Watt and

for managing director Watt and his company, CSI Ltd, told Mr Justice Turner that the sides had reached agreement. He asked the judge to make an order in the terms before him, which were not disclosed in open

Solicitors acting for Mansell, who was not in court, said a statement would be issued later from the Isle of Man, where he lives at St Mary's Road, Port Erin. Mansell had denied the allegations and counter-claimed for alleged breach of the

Watt and CSI had sued Mansell for alleged breach of a management agreement made in December 1980 and amended in March 1986. He claimed \$1.2 million commission for Man-sell's engagement by Team Wil-liams as a Formula One driver from the 1987-8 grand prix season. He also asked for an account of the prize-money received by Mansell from March 1986 up to June 1987 and 20 per cent of that sum. The writ also included a claim for damages for breach a claim for damages for breach of contract and interest.

By JOHN BLUNSDEN

HONDA'S end-of-season rements in performance achieved A year ago, McLaren's Japanese partners set themselves three development goals for their V10 engine: to finish the season with 30 more horsepower than their 1989 world championship-winning engine, to achieve total engine reliability in races, and to provide more driver-friendly

power and responsiveness. Even by their own exacting standards they scored a "two-plus out of three". By the end of the season, Ayrton Senna and Gerhard Berger had been given an extra 40bhp and an engine significantly easier to use, and on no occasion was either driver forced to retire by an internal engine breakage. The only in-cident which robbed Honda of a perfect score was a broken throttle linkage rod, which halted Berger during the British

While a seventh version of this engine, offering improved low and mid-range power, has been developed for Tymell and is in anoduction, the V12 engine which McLaren will be using already has 14 months of development work, including six months of track testing on five circuits. Some rival engines have yet to take to the track.

be much more powerful than the sixth version of the V10, Honda has turned towards weight reduction and durability testing. Benetton has signed a threeyear contract with Pirelli which will give the team access to tyres

believed to be a crucial element. of the aerodynamic package which Benetton's technical together for his Ford-engined car for the 1991 season. Pirelli will continue to supply standard specification tyres to the Tyrrell, Brabham and

Honda get. results with V12

through six versions of their V10 engine, and reveals the development on their V12 must make sobering reading for all their Formula One competitors.

Having confirmed the V12 to

developed specifically for its latest chassis. Smaller than normal tyres are

Dallara teams.

the Milk Race but both the

capitalist and communist sys-

terns in Europe had reasons to

preserve separate champio ships, with more prestige

VOLLEYBALL

Switch by Cooper will strengthen England

By RODDY MACKENZIE

Westhead said.

The other newcomers in the England squad are Sue Radley,

aged 19, from MGI Wessex and Michelle Nudds, from

England, who won the event in 1989, will face opposition

from Austria, Finland, Israel and the home country in

Luxembourg. These will be England's first matches since the

British federation champion-ships at the end of last season.

played some training sets against Sollentuna (Denmark)

and Moscow State University at the weekend but planned matches with Lithuania in Ox-ford had to be shelved when

The British men's squad

Ashcombe Sabre Dorking

PAUL Westhead, the coach to England's senior women's team. has included three newcomers Cup in Luxembourg from January 3 to 7, including Audrey Cooper, the former Scottish international setter. Cooper's inclusion is in spite
of the fact that the Scottish

Volleyball Association (SVA) has still not heard officially from the international body (FIVB)
that the player has been cleared
to play for England.
Nick Moody, the SVA's technical director, said: "I find it strange that England intend to include her in their party but that's their business." He con-

firmed the SVA would not stand

in the player's way, having given her permission to train with the England squad.
Cooper, who fulfils the residential qualifications, will give Westhead a new strength in the setting position for a tournament which is likely to be the main focus of England's season.

with the prospect of attending the West European champion-ships in the spring looking slim.
"We've not heard if the championships are definitely going ahead but, even if they do, it's unlikely, that we will go Reden (Nation Leeden), I Smith (Soversign Seeden), Corpions Southsean, S. Redley (Md) Wessex). with the prospect of attending the West European champion-ships in the spring looking slim. "We've not heard if the

GYMNASTICS

Successful Soviet trip

HILLINGDON School of Gymfirst British clubs to compete in the Soviet Union (Peter Aykroyd writes). Invited to take part in a regional tournament in Yoshkar Ola in the Republic of Mari 600 miles east of Moscow. Wom

STUDENT SPORT Jones sets the pace for records

By MIKE LAMB THE Wales swimming inter-national, Mark Jones, of Southampton Institute of Higher Education, broke three of 14 British student shortcourse championship records set during the weekend at Ips-wich Crown Pools.

Jones's three records and gold medals came in the 50 metres butterfly, 100 metres butterfly and 100 metres freestyle. Claire Huddart, of Trinity and All Saints College, also set three records, but did so from just two events - her 69.23sec for the 100 metres backstroke was set at the halfway stage of her record-breaking 200 metres in 2:20.96. Her second gold

came in the 50 metres.

matches with Lithuania in Oxford had to be shelved when there was a complication over visas for the Lithuanian team.

Later this week, Lithuania are due to play in the Perestroika tournament in Oxford where Ralph Hippolyte, the Great Britain coach, will take charge of an English All Stars team.

ENGLAND WOMEN'S SOUND: A Glover, Tholand, C Sanciar (Michael Loughborough University, 1:37:35, Brustoka: Star. I Jance (Southampton HE), 51.81°, 200m; S Moore (Shoffmad Liny), 16:13.15°, 4 x 50 Moore (Nation Liny), 20:13.28, 100m; 20:13.29°, 20:13.29°, 12:30°, 12:30°, 13:30°,

An early Christmas in 1991

long term," he said. "We have to

look at the present season and the World Cup. We would not be allowed under the present

International Board rules to

have Ian in charge of national

coaching and directly preparing the Scotland team for matches."

Charters also dismissed the possibility of the SRU offering McGeechan some other "dressed-up job" in order to keep him at Murrayfield. "That

would not be in the spirit of the present law. At the moment we

don't want paid coaching under any guise to become the norm

throughout Scotland in what is

still an essentially amateur game," Charters said.

Clearly, an immediate sol-ution will have to be found

quickly to give McGeechan some financial security for him-

self and his family, particularly during the three months of

unpaid leave and that in turn

used as qualifying events.

£1,185,000).

A blue riband committee will

the four major championships will surely be the first choices. It

carry the necessary clout to be

Creating a new image in rugby backwater

Not the least bit shirty: Melville has plenty to smile about, surrounded by tee-shirts printed by his company

Melville enjoys relaxed style

An appalling run of severe injuries

hastened his premature departure from

the game. But when the Yorkshireman

awoke one morning to find his body physically repaired, he felt ready for

some combat, albeit in the less rarefied

"We have thrown the ball about,

scared teams to bits and scored tries all

over the place. We have a lot of good

players, but more than anything else it

has been great fun. It is hardly serious,"

The intense pressure game is no longer for him. He enjoys the greater

freedom rugby at this level affords and

his young family require time and

attention, which he sees as a pleasure.

rugby and international training camps

any more. If a big club came and asked

me to play for them, I would probably

say 'no thanks'. I am doing what I want

to do here and, besides, the commit-ment to travelling I would have to

make to join a top club is not one I

He smiles at the suggestion he is a

familiar target for those lower down the

rugby-playing scale who suddenly find

McGeechan's position under review

would be prepared to give."

"I don't hanker after first division

air of the fourth division.

The Tryall Club, an idyllic setting by the blue waters of Montego Bay, is being upgraded to offer a suitable challenge to the world's best professionals. Under the supervision of Peter Townsend, it is being length-ened by some 400 yards to 6,800 Ken Schofield, the executive director of the European Tour and already nominated as a member of the committee, sai yesterday: "This is a wonderful addition to the world golfing calendar. It offers incentive and

It remains to be seen whether or not the tournament will reach the dizzy heights that Johnnie Walker expect. Mark Mcthe edges as he seeks, not always successfully, to find players of the required stature.

Faldo and others, but he is right this time. A prize of \$50,000 (about £25,500) for finishing last

ICE HOCKEY

Ayr Raiders feel Wasps' sting

By NORMAN DE MESQUITA

return 10-2, in spite of being

without their leading scorer, Scott Morrison, who has a knee

ajury. The three Johnson brothers

The big surprise in the first

more than compensated with

division was Glasgow Saints' first win of the season, away to

Medway Bears. It was a close mall with Doug Moreden sonting

six goals and nine assists.

AYR RAIDERS arrived at Dur-ham Wasps on Sunday as joint leaders of the Heineken League premier division. The Wasts bviously wanting to put the scottish pretenders in their place, came out with guns, blazing took only ten seconds to score their first goal and had

The Raiders did score goals either side of the first interval. but lost their leading scorer, Frank Morris, with the recur-rence of a rib injury and the Wasos scored six more without reply to take over sole pos-session of the league leadership. Murrayfield Racers remain in third place, winning their only

wins (3-2) over Nottingham Panthers and an away draw with Cleveland Bombers, remain in fourth. The Bombers' goaltender, Stephen Foster, is one to watch for the future.

Humberside Seahawks showed that their recent defeat by Bracknell Bees has not affected them. They won the time in three weeks that the Wildcats have topped the 20goal mark) can only do the sport a disservice

Cleveland Bombers 6, Gardilf Deville Durham Waspe 13, Ayr Raidens Murrayfield Racers 9, Whitley Warrion; Solibuli Barons 6, Notingham Parthers Flyes division: Basingstoks Beswers Romford Raidens 14; Slough Jets Clasgow Metros 5; Tellord Tigars Humberside Seshawits 6; Humbers Sashawits 10, Bracknell Bess 2: 18

have another match, against Australian Schools, at Murrayfield on January 12. **CYCLING**

Federation proposes a move to open racing

THE British Cycling Federation (BCF) is proposing that all track racing, including the national championships, could be open to both professionals and amateurs (a Special Correspondent

themselves in the presence of a former

goes on all right. Things like jumping

on me when I haven't got the ball. But I don't mind that, you get used to it. I am quite happy to fade into the crowd in

terms of the team. I have scored only

two tries this season yet our wings have

Otley is very much a rugby town, benefiting from the lack of a big

football club in the district. Melville

says winning the league this season is

essential to the development of the

club. But he insists if Otley's players

meet that challenge, they could even-

tually emulate the achievements of the

West Yorkshire club, Wakefield, who

are pressing for promotion to the first

"To do well at that top level, you must have two squads which is what

Otley lack at present. It is still a dream for Otley to think about division one,

but leagues have made an amazing

difference to club rugby and Otley have

benefited. That is why the crowds have come in; people like to see winning

league teams. The fact that we play

troduction of a cup competition

in principle but many were

the season that would make it

Smaller leagues were identi-

fied as one way of accommodat-

ing a cup competition, but the feeling among the clubs is that the national leagues should remain in their present form.

Objections have been raised

against holding cup matches early in September and in April,

when sevens become the main

Hogg also pointed out that

April has become more con-

gested with representative fix-tures and only yesterday

announced that Scotland under

19 would play Wales at Llanelli

Scotland under-19 will also

obstacle in the way of change.

attractive rugby also lures them."

"There is a little bit of that which

international.

got 15 each."

The proposal will be considered by the annual national council meeting in Blackpool at the weekend. The meeting is in a political conference hotel and the proposal itself has political

The mixing of categories has

share around. In the new political situation. the international body has the policy of open track sport and the BCF is quick to follow its lead. The membership may

decide, though, that a change would be too drastic. POOLS FORECAST

Beturdey December & mises stated BEAZER HOMES LGE PREMIER DIVISION Burton v Gloucester MULTARIEN DIVISION

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Fifties

By BARRY PICKTHALL

NANDOR Fa. the Hungarian vachtsman in the BOC single-handed round the world race was adrift deep in the southern ocean yesterday after losing both rudders on his yacht just a day after two other recent in the southern ocean yesterday after losing both rudders on his yacht just a day after two other recent interesting.

both rudders on his yacht just a day after two other competitors ran into whales during the second stage of their voyage from Cape Town to Sydney.

The 37-year-old yachtsman, who is caught in 40-knot, galeforce winds in the Furious Fifty latitudes. reported yesterday that he was attempting to head

that he was attempting to head back against the prevailing winds to South Africa after

rigging up a jury rudder system. Hal Roth, another yachtsmen

to report trouble, this time with the generator aboard Sebago.

resumed his course to Sydney

experienced "a bit of a problem getting back on board the sec-

ond time".

John Martin, from South
Africa, continues to hold a
comfortable 230-mile lead over
David Adams, from Australia,
and is hopeful of reaching
Sydney by December 21, two
days ahead of the previous
record.

Robin Davie, of Britain, continues to lead the Corinthian class but Josh Hall, from Ipswich, dropped to third place in Class 2 overnight, Hall reported yesterday that he had managed

to Sort Out charging problems.

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Honours

even in

grand prix

A UNITED States America's Cup defender and the Italian challenger shared honours at the

weekend in the first two races of

the Moet and Chandon maxi grand prix being raced this week

in St Thomas, British Virgin

The third and final leg of the

world championship series is probably the last big boat race before next year's America's

Cup.
The so-called in-shore maxis

are the largest day racing yachts in the world and are the nearest things in size and handling to yachts of the new America's Cup

class (IACC).
They have attracted those America Cup syndicates who have both saitors and budgets already standing by for the real thing: Dennis Connor and Bill York tof the America III syn-

Koch (of the America III syn-

dicate) are racing, as is Raoul Gardini's, Italian Challenge, skippered by Paul Cayard.

The French, who incurred fellow challengers' wrath by selling their first IACC boat to the Americans have continued.

the Americans, have continued the association. Many of their

crew are aboard the French owned Frers design, Emeraude, but they have Connor as their

skipper.
After two earlier regattas, one the other in

Miami, Koch's New Matador. Miami, Koch's New Matador, designed by the group headed by Bill Cook, which is also design-ing Koch's putative America's Cup defender, leads the overall

RESULTS: First rece: 1, Matador (B Koch, US): 2, Longobarda (L Bonolotti, It); 3, Emeraude (J Dewaity, Fr). Second race: 1, Passage (P Cayard, It); 2, Longobarda; 3, Matador

to sort out charging problems.

FOOTBALL

Americans anxious to establish game before World Cup

AS IF to silence those critics who continue to doubt the wisdom of awarding the 1994 World Cup finals to the United States, a leading mem-ber of the country's footballing administration yesterday unveiled plans to reestablish the sport as an outdoor game.

Football in the United States is primarily an indoor pursuit, although the more orthodox outdoor format does still exist on a regional basis in the shape of the American Soccer League, the dwindling remnants of the North American Soccer League, which enjoyed some prominence in the late Sixties and early

Fifa's decision to stage its most celebrated tournament in a country which regards football as a minority sport enjoyed only at college level has been almost universally condemned. Therefore while the announcement of ambitious plans to restructure the outdoor game is far more than a simple exercise in public relations, it must be construed

as a politically astute move. Earl Foreman, the commissioner and co-founder of the European footballers to help Major Indoor Soccer League establish the game had (MISL), believes a swift amounted to nothing more

together a professional out-door league," Foreman said. "We do not feel any "We felt it was something that embarrassment at not having had to be done. We are very a national, outdoor league of interested in promoting soccer in the United States. The sport optimism. No one can wave a We do believe that there is a place for both the indoor and

the outdoor game." Foreman estimates that it very successful and will just will take at least another !8 add another chapter to the months to produce an infra-history of the competition. structure sufficiently elaborate to underpin a national outdoor league.

"We are still in the formative stages, so it is impossible to say just how many teams will be taking part when the league moves in to action in 1992," he said. "We shall be capable of accommodating as many teams as is financially

Foreman acknowledged that the past import of leading

renaissance of outdoor foot- than "a quick fix" and said he ball is essential as the country was hopeful that past mistakes begins its preparations for would not be repeated.

"The MISI has been asked players in 1965 had a good "The first wave of English by the United States Soccer side and a bad side. In some Federation to take a leading ways it inhibited the progress part in seeing if we can put of our own youngsters," he

our own. All we are feeling is is one that lends itself readily magic wand and establish a to the American sports fan. first infrastructure over the next four years; we do appreciate that. We are confident that the World Cup will be

> "It is the major sporting spectacle in the world. We are not looking to fill stadiums with dyed in the wool soccer fans. We hope that people who have never seen a soccer game will turn up for the World Cup finals," he added.

Foreman is in England to see the first official Trans-atlantic Challenge match, to be played between Baltimore Blast, of the MISL, and Oldham Athletic at Manchester's G-Mex Centre as part of the Guinness Soccer Six Championships,

PFA urge stronger Call-up for import controls Anfield reserve signing, was available for transfer.

The Republic of Ireland for-

ward, bought last season by former manager Graham Taylor for £1.5 million, has scored only

"We have a squad of players.
Sometimes I will pick one, other
times someone else," Venglos
said. "But why should we want

David Speedie, Coventry's

THE Professional Footballers' Association (PFA) confirmed last night that it is becoming increasingly concerned about the number of "cheap foreign imports" finding their way into English football.

English football.

Gordon Taylor, the PFA's chief executive, hinned that they would be calling for stricter controls, "Foreign players coming to England are supposed to be world class," Taylor said.

"But the trend at the moment is to sten overseas clauser metals." to sign overseas players merely because they are cheaper. The amount of money going abroad, when it is not necessary, is a

CODCETT to us." Taylor raised questions over the weekend about apparent anomolies on the work permit application Aston Villa submitted before they signed Ivo Stas, their Czechoslovak international from Banik Ostranja

However, the Football League is satisfied with the deal and according to Doug Ellis, the Villa chairman, any confusion surrounding the transfer has now been cleared up.

Meanwhile, Jozef Venglos, the Villa manager Villa charman, any confusion surrounding the transfer has now been cleared up.

Meanwhile, Jozef Venglos, the Villa manager, yesterday denied reports that Tony cascarino, the club's record that Barnsley value him at over £2 million.

LEADING GOALSCORERS



IN BRIEF

Mund off to France

PARIS (AFP) — Eberhard Mund, the former coach of the East German national rowing equad, has been appointed training director of the French rowing federation.

Mund, aged 50, had two successful spells as East German coach, from 1971 to 1980 and from 1985 until this year and won 10 world championships and two Olympic titles.

GOLF: Nick Faldo has won the Golf Writers Trophy as the Player who has done most for European golf in 1990 following in winning both the US Masters and the Open Championship.

BOXING: Derek Williams, the Commonwealth heavyweight champion, is flying back from
New York after injuring his
hand again in training. The
Londoner, who has not fought
since failing to win back his European crown from the Frenchman, Jean Chanet, in May. He must defend his Commonwealth crown by the end of this year.

EQUESTRIANISM: John Whitaker's Henderson Milton will miss the Olympia show jumping championships, which begin in London next week because he is recovering from a

TENNIS: Soviet Union, the defending champions, beat Great Britain 2-1 in Nantes on Sunday to retain the European women's team title.

BOWLS: Clifford Simpson, of Hartiepool, a regular member of England's indoor team since 1982, is not named to play in the final international trial on Janu-

Australian captain has kind words for England



Hearty reception: Bob Hawke, the Australian prime minister, joking with Allan Lamb and Graham Gooch

Border offers counsel of caution

CRICKET CORRESPONDENT CANBERRA

PRECIOUS little has gone right PRECIOUS little has gone right for the England party on its tour of Australia. It is so low in confidence that any advice from the Australian captain will be regarded with grave suspicion.

Alian Border, however, has never been without a certain affection for the old country and he is genuine enough in his sympathy for the dilemma that England now face.

With a Test match lost in three days, and a one-day game

ALMOST a year behind sched-

RACKETS

Prenn looks

sharp but

can improve

JOHN Prenn, the former world champion, scored an emphatic

victory over David Watkins in his opening match of the Lacoste British amateur cham-

pionship at the Queen's Club (Sally Jones writes).

(Sally Jones writes).

Prenn looked sharp and mobile but will have to raise his game if, as seeded, he meets his old rival Willie Boone

Mark Hue Williams impressed in his win against David Ruck-Keene. But he will face a tough task against the world champion, James Male, should he reach the semi-finals.

RESULTS: First mant of Property D.

RESULTS: First round: J Prenn bt D Weitins, 15-4, 15-8, 15-2. M hus Williams bt D Ruck-Kesne, 15-1, 15-1, 15-4; R Mason bt C Anderson, 15-8, 15-12, 15-6. C Worldge bt W Meitby, 15-10, 15-12, 15-5. Second round: W Boons bt C Worldge, 15-2, 15-7, 15-2.

three days, and a one-day game humiliatingly conceded to New Zealand, the England camp reverberates to recriminations.

The urge to make changes is always a trend to chop and

for £1.5 munon, nas scored only three goals this £2500. He was dropped by Venglos for last week's Rumbelows Cup tie with Middlesbrough and was also omitted from the side that beat Sheffield United on Sat-

to sell an excellent player? Is.

Peter Beardsley for sale at
Liverpool because he was not
picked against Arsenal on
Sunday?" ● Leek Town have a bome tie against Altrincham in the first round of the FA Trophy next second heavy fine of the season after being sent off for swearing against Crystal Palace on Saturday. Two months ago, he was fined £3,000 after an incident with a club virus action of the control of th month. Barnet meet Famborough Town, Wycombe

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piace in the semi-finals.

RESULTS (GB urless stated: Second round: C Bray bt S Ronaldson, 6-2, 5-6, 6-2, 8-0; R Fathey (Aus) bt J Howel, 6-4, 6-4, 4-6, 5-5; M Happel (Aus) bt M Gooding, 4-6, 6-2, 6-4, 6-1; C Ronaldson bt M Devine, 6-1, 6-2, 6-1, Doubles: First round: M Hayward and P Tabley bt A Philips and S Ronaldson, 6-0, 6-4, 6-5.

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REAL TENNIS

Fahey is triumphant

writes).

Howell retrieved effectively but failed to kill the ball as often as his bold opponent, who tookfull advantage of any loose serves, cutting the ball sharply into the forehand corner for a string of short chases.

Chris Ronaldson, the No. 2 seed, looked sharp and determined in beating Mark Devine and now meets Paul Tabley for a

ROBERT Fahey, the young Australian, forced and volleyed strongly to put out Jonathan Howell, a seed, in the second round of the George Wimpey British Open championship at 5-1, 6-2, 6-1, Doublest First

Queen's Club (Sally Jones writes).
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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Sen Antonio Spure... Houston Rockets....

LIVERPOOL'S teenage reserve forward, Steve McManaman, has been drafted into the England Under-21 squad for tomorrow's match against Wales at Transmere. McManaman, aged 18, is still eligible to play for the England youth team.

The Wales manager, Terry Yorath, has invited his former international team-mate, Leighton James, to help with the Welsh preparations.

Sheffield Wednesday yesterday clinched the £75,000 signing of the American, John Harkes, who has taken overfrom the injured Swedish international, Roland Nilsson, at right back in Ron Atkinson's team.

West Bromwich Albion's central defender, Gary Strodder, has been banned for two games after his seventh booking of the season at his former club, West Ham United.

nie, the new Compton and Edrich stands at Lord's, which form a £4.5 million development at the Nursery End, are on course under the revised plans to be "substantially completed" by the end of the year. They are expected to be handed over officially during February

over officially during February with opening and naming ceremonies planned in March and May.

As a gestime to the 9,171 Wanderers entertain Wealdstone, Hayes visit Welling, while the GM Vauxhall Conference leaders, Kettering, entertain Woking.

Sheffield Wednesday yesterday climbad the 575 000 candidates on MCC's waiting list for membership, the club is to offer them £400 season tickets next summer for the upper tier of the Edrich stand. The 2,000 season tickets being made avail-able are transferable but cannot be used as prizes in com-petitions. They guarantee the purchaser a seat for every match at Lord's next summer. Candidates will be limited to two tickets under what is an experiment for one year and those not taken up will be available for sale to the public. "These candidates on the wait-

with the wish of J Paul Getty Jr., who donated £1.25 million to-

wards the cost, that non-mem-bers should benefit from the

Until 1966, MCC operated a season-ticket scheme limited to

season-ticket scheme immed to 300 applicants, who could se-cure a seat in the Mound stand. After the new Tavern stand was completed, though, it was de-cided the facility was not

Adrian Jones, the Somerset fast bowler, has left the county

after turning down a new con-tract. Jones, who joined Somer-

set from Sussex three years ago, is believed to be negotiating

with other counties,

new development

for Lord's stand

By RICHARD STREETON

caimness and faith.

"I wouldn't press the panic button too much just yet," Border, who captains the Prime Minister's XI against England here today, said. "I don't think there is too much drama at the moment. If England are still doing the same after Christmas then maybe something will have to be done, but you have got a very good side together and it is just a matter of the big guns kicking more often."

Border easily equates England's position with his own before Australia won the 1987 World Cup. "I know that if you

assured, yesterday commended calmness and faith.

there is no continuity."

"The time comes when you have to bite the bullet and get through it, backing the nucleus of players that you believe in. England have got to take a decision and then stick with the chosen blokes, just as we have done after a long period of trial and error." As Australia's remarkable run

there is no continuity."

change the team," he said. "But while you are doing that it is hopeless for the captain because

As Australia's remarkable run of success in one-day cricket goes on, Border considered the suggestion that England approach it as a frivolous form of the game. "When I first started playing we only viewed it as a bit of fun," he said. "It is true that nobody remembers you for

it, either, but it is now a very important part of the cricket calendar and we have to play it that way."

There was not a hint of criticism directed at England. As he kept saying, it was not his job. But in the contentment of a man at the peak of his powers, there was a plain awareness that England are not doing themselves justice. For Allan Border, that was something to beware, rather than to celebrate.

Season ticket sale Dujon finds touch

in time for Test

SARGODHA, Pakistan (Reuter) - Jeff Dujon scored his first half-century of the tour as the West Indians opted for batting practice on the third and final day of their match against a Pakistan Combined XI yesterden

ing list have all paid a £50 registration fee," Lt-Col John Stephenson, the MCC secretary, said. "We felt it was right to make a gesture which is aimed at helping them become part of Lord's while their candidature day.
West Indies could have enforced the follow-on, after the local side for 217 in reply to their own first innings of 367, but they decided to go in again to get batsmen into form before the decisive third and final Test which begins in Lahore on Thursday.

The touring team finished with 185 for four and the game was drawn after Dujon, who has scored only 27 runs in three Test

scored only 27 runs in three Test innings on the tour, had seized his chance and played an attractive knock of 63. Using his feet well against the spinners he struck seven fours and a six during his 155 minutes at the

After resuming at 164 for five, the home side had lost their last five wickets for 53, Ian Bishop taking three wickets in one spell of 11 balls.

C G Greenidge b Nasem
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COMBINED XI: First Innings
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HOCKEY

Strong line-up confirmed

FIVE national champions will be involved in the Glenfiddich

be involved in the Glenfiddich international indoor tour-nament at the Kelvin Hall in Glasgow on January 12 and 13. They are Avoca, of Ireland, Zurich Grasshoppers, of Switzerland, Hattem, of the Netherlands, Wein Athletic Club, of Austria, and NMP Menzieshill, of Scotland, last season's beaten finalist. Menzieshill, of Scotland, last season's beaten finalist.
Unfortunately, the organisers have been unable to entice back Club An Der Alster, from Germany, because of domestic compenition commitments but with the quality of the competitors involved this time, the standard of previous years should be maintained.

The presence of the Rucca-

should prove one of the main

should prove one of the main attractions, particularly with so many past and present internationals in their side.

They may start favourities but their path to the trophy could perish at the hands of the local side, Murray International Metals who were bronze medal als, who were bronze medal winners in last season's Euroare expected to be strong contenders.
The eight-team line-up is

completed by the presence of the host club. Western Indespension, who won the trophy in the first season it was

ICE HOCKEY

WALES CONFERENCE

Patrick de

pions in Austria by Arminen, who won the Glenfiddich tournament in 1987. This will be the twelfth year the event has been held.

Collins to defend Tony Collins, of Yateley, will make the second defence of his WBC international light-middlweight boxing title at the London Arena on January 23.

No opponent has been named, but it is hoped to match Collins with Andy Till, of Northolt. Points decision

itors involved this time, the standard of previous years should be maintained.

The presence of the Buccaneers, from The Netherlands,

Sponsorship banishes French fears

championship.

THE French yachting federation (FFV) yesterday confirmed that all three yachts of next year's French Admiral's Cup team will be sponsored by Corum, the Swiss-based watch manufacturer (Malcolm McKeag writes). The announcement ends fears that the economic climate, coupled with the drain on French talent and money presented by their America's Cup programme, would prevent France from entering a team in the British Regatta, which is still regarded as the premier event of the off-shore racing calendar. Corum will re-commission

their eponymous Briand-de-signed Two Tonner from the 1989 French Admiral's Cup team and will charter Capricomo, a new Briand Fifty-Footer owned by Renaldo Bono, of Italy, and built by Eric Goetz, of Newport, Rhode Island. The identity of the third boat is still officially secret but is believed to be the Dutch One Tonner, Mean Machine, a 1990 Judel/Vrolik design owned by Peter de Ridder. The boat is one of the fastest of the latest One Tonners: she came third at the

1990 One Ton Cup despite a

scries of breakages and a dis-

(Ford Escort), 38.20; 2, D Hoowood (Ford Escort), 38.56; 3, D Martand (Ford Escort), 39.03,

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MATIONAL LEAGUE (MILL: Does): Red Wings 3, Buffalo Sebres 3 (OT): Edmonton Olient 6, Philadolphia Pyvirs 3; Celgary Riamos 5, Quatec Nordiques 5 (OT): Vancou-ver Canacia 5, Winnipeg Jets 1; Chicage Black Hawles 3, St Louis Black Hawles 2. RACKETS QUEEN'S CLUB: British Ameteur ch Joseph S GUDE: British Americar champ-leaching First resuet T Coctord by S Davies, 15-12, 15-0, 5-15, 4-15, 17-15; J Souring bt C Mason, 18-5, 15-0, 15-1; M Hue-Williams bt D Fuch-Reem. 15-1, 15-1, 15-4; C Wordige bt W Maltoy, 15-10, 15-12, 15-5; J Prem bt D Walton, 15-4, 15-8, 15-2; R Mason bt C Anderson, 15-4, 15-12, 15-8, Second resuet W Boone bt C Worldge, 15-2, 15-7, 15-2 **REAL TENNIS**

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Mearne (Aus) bt K Shekton, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4; C-1
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IF BARCELONA'S no-betterthan-average team leads the Spanish side by four points, it does not say too much for Real Madrid, in third place, and the rest. It would have taken more than John Toshack to recapture Real's illustrious past; Ramon Mendoza, Real's president, is probably chasing shadows in searching for a new manager.
On Sunday, I watched Barce-

lona, admittedly without four important players, make heavy work of defeating Real Mallorca 2-1, Afterwards, I talked with Johan Cruyff, now in his third season as "Mister", as the Span-ish call their coaches. I wanted to know his view of the latest Fifa newsletter editorial, which studiously avoids reality: negative football, Sepp Blatter, the general secretary, suggests, is entirely the responsibility of coaches.

Well, partially, perhaps, but what about Fifa's failure to oblige referees to implement existing jaws in favour of creative teams? Cruyff, who was the mainspring

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of three of the most positive and innovative of teams in the early 70s, Ajax, Barcelona and the Netherlands, pulls no punches. It goes way beyond coaches, he says. There are three reasons, in his opinion, for the decline in appeal: the comparatively low technical level of skill; the blind-

ing of players, from the youth stage, with tactics; and the tolerance by referees of negative play that amounts to ungentlemanly conduct. "Ball control and passing is nowadays so often limited that

possession of the ball can sometimes be a disadvantage" Cruyff said. "So much of the game is therefore a fight with muscle and fitness instead of with skill. We have to concentrate on teaching young players to play with the ball, to stop them playing competitively and to forget about tactics. Coaches don't use wingers simply because there aren't any.

We have full backs playing outside left. It's nonsense."

Cruyff's view of the responsibility of referees is severe, and at the same time novel. In the same way that goalkeepers may

not take more than four steps, he believes referees should arbi-trarily penalise teams which repeatedly pass back to the goalkeeper or deliberately waste time.
"Changing the laws can be risky," he says, "Because the problem is that changes, for instance with the offside line, are

likely to make the game per-versely even more defensive, as with the reduction of defenders from three to two for offside in 1925. Yet repeated negative play, in my judgment, is a foul, and should be penalised under existing laws. Teams and coaches would soon react to free kicks against them."

Cruyff is not against widening of goals by, say, a metre, as suggested by Fifa, because the allis one of the few factors that has

advanced. He would like to see experiments with conditioning the number of players permitted in each half of the field; perhaps, goalscoring only being legitimate when there are ten players in the opponents' half. He is obliquely reflecting back to the total football of Ajax and the Netherlands, who regularly attacked with eight

or nine men.
One practical step he advocates is that grass pitches should always be slightly watered before kick off, as the Nou Camp pitch is. "Plastic balls, unlike leather, will not run on dry turf," he says.
"That is one reason why the World Cup in Italy was so static and without pace."

He is optimistic that Barcelona can hold on to their present lead

for one of the club's rare league titles; but he is worried by the run of injuries. One or two is not serious, but four? On Sunday, his team was without Koeman, the sweeper - out for three months -Sergei at centre back and Ferrer at left back, and Laudrup in attack.



Crayff: a man of strong opinions

Eusebio and Goikochea scored a goal each a quarter-of-an-hour into each half; Cloudio reduced the lead 18 minutes from time and caused a panic, during which Serna, Barcelona's left back, was sent off.

"The difference between now and two years ago is that we are winning even on bad days, like today," Cruyff said. "We're physically much stronger, and so much of the game nowadays is Goikochea two years to mature into a threatening midfield player since he was signed from

Cruyff would fancy, in the long term, the possibility of being national manager of the Netherlands — for which he was nearly recalled at the last minute, rather than Leo Beenhakker, for the World Cup — but for the moment he prefers the day-to-day action of working with a club. "I like the daily training because I still enjoy playing, even casu-ally," he says. "As national coach, all you do is spend the time watching matches to look at

He finds Spanish players diffi-cult to discipline, tactically. "They forget themselves, they revert to their individual mental-ity," he says. "Italy have collec-tive discipline . . . going backwards. Germany have it, running a lot but are often running a lot, but are often boring England have their own disciplined style. The fun of the

between the Spanish and the English game, is the extent to which the ball is played along the ground. This may not make the Spanish world cup team any more successful than Graham Taylor's, though it is not without significance that Liverpool's passing game coincides with the longest successful sequence by any club in the world.

What may be stated unarguwhat may be stated imaginably is that you cannot score without the ball and that a passing game on the ground substantially increases the possibility of retaining possession compared with the ball played in

Carling to answer allegations that he took payment

WILL Carling, the England captain, will meet officials of the Rugby Football Union accusations that he had contravened the amateur regulations of the sport. He said yesterday: "I was paid money after a function. It was not a rugby club and the money went to a charity with which I have become particularly involved."

It was reported on Sunday that the RFU had received a letter, not for the first time, accepted money in contravention of the amateur regulations as they existed before the International Rugby Football

"I have spoken to Dudlev Wood [the RFU secretary] when invited to captain Engand I know exactly what it's land against Australia in 1988) about," Carling said. "I am tends to be overlooked and the amazed it's turned up about fact that he has been able to 18 months later. The money form his own company, that came to me was given to a helped by his rugby fame, has charity and there is a letter to attracted sideways glances prove it which I will show to from those unwilling or unthe RFU officials.

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"I just feel rather sad that advised, in a sport with some people feel they have to have a notoriously old-fashioned trago all the time. It wears you ditions, either to reduce the down after a while. The number of modelling engage-impression that Will Carling is ments he has undertaken or to in rugby to make money is be more discreet in his public totally wrong. If that was the pronouncements, and in recase I would have accepted spect of the most recent one of the offers from rugby Some people have the idea ence of nearly ten years ago.

I have been leading the charge to change the whole game. That started long before I came on the scene. I want to claiming that Carling had raise the profile of the game, not Will Carling, and do something for the sport as a

Carting, aged 24 and with 20 caps (13 as captain) to his money he had received for phase notorious in Australia non-rugby func- as the "tall poppy syndrome", tion had been passed to a meaning he is liable to uncharity and that he would be founded criticism because of his success. His youth (he was still 22

"I will also be writing to the motivational seminars he newspaper concerned to tell undertakes is the result of his them exactly what the score is. own studies in psychology and If someone had asked me an intelligent application

He might have been better accusation, he would do well to note Andy Ripley's experi-

Many rugby personalities are sent cheques in respect of services they have performed, or time they have given up, which they invariably pass on, as Carling did, to a charity. Ripley, now president of Rosslyn Park then playing some of his best rugby at Carling said yesterday that credit, is going through a No. 8, took part in a televised Superstars series and, for coming third in a world event, won £6,000; if he had come first. the prize would have been £50,000 and Ripley admits he would probably have professionalised himself and

> However, the cheque was sent direct to the RFU, which then disbursed it, in accordance with Ripley's instructions, to a variety of charities, including its own youth trust. "In my day," Ripley said. "The whole amateur situation was far more clear cut. You either did it, and risked being found out either by the union or the Inland Revenue, or you

> "The problem for Will and people like him is that they don't know where they stand under the present regulations. I feel immensely sorry for him in his position. I just wish people would leave him alone to get on with what he does best, and that's playing

Champion gains new lease of life

Slimline Mason bounces back

By BRYAN STILES

GARY Mason, the roly-poly British heavyweight boxing champion, felt unloved and almost unwanted as he left the ring after winning his last two bouts - his public had started to turn against him. Worse still, it was discovered he had a detached retina and it looked as if his career was over.

Yesterday the new, slimline Mason bounced around a gym declaring he was at a new beginning. His eye is fine, he has shed almost three stones in seven weeks at a training camp in Florida and he cannot wait to lay some leather on Lennox Lewis, Britain's latest heavyweight hopeful, who was recently crowned European champion, and who, according to Mickey Duff, Mason's manager, is trying to put off

Weighing in after a strenuous workout in a gym that squats in a down-at-heel back street behind King's Cross station, London, Mason beamed as the scales registered 16st 111/lb - his lightest for five years. When he went into the training camp he was 19st 8lb, the result of the anxiety and bad eating habits brought on by his eye problem. He is on a new diet that rules out red meat.

The unbeaten champion is not promising he will be under 17st, as Duff is insisting, when he steps into the ring for his warm-up contest against James Prichard, of the United States, at the Albert Hall on Wednesday next week, but he is promising a sharper, faster boxer that his public should warm to. Gone will be the champion whose "mental attitude" was not right, and whose "heart was not in it." "Nine months ago my whole life was in ruins, not



An eye to the future: Mason in training for his comeback bout with James Prichard

just my career," Mason said. Kerly confirms return to international arena

SEAN Kerly left no doubt about his intention to return to international hockey when he confirmed yesterday that he was available for England and Great Britain in the new

"I asked to be left out of all international matches after

job. Now that I have done that, I am available," he said. His last international appearance was on February 22 at Lahore when, in the

play-off for fifth place in the

World Cup, England defeated the Soviet Union 1-0. During his self-enforced absence, Kerly, who had scored the World Cup at Labore until eight goals for the Olympic

1988, missed the BMW tournament in Amsterdam in June and the more recent Champions Trophy in Melbourne, as well as the Four Nations classic at Luton in October.

Bernie Cotton, the England and Great Britain team manager, said yesterday: "Kerly is committed to earning a place in the England team for the

February, the European (outdoor | Cup in Paris in June an . in the Great Britain team for the Champions Trophy tot rnament in September "

Cotton expressed concern yesterday over the delay by Germany in announcing de-tails for this event. "I shall be trying to get into it wherever it

Kerly is playing for Europe the Azlan Shah Inter-Continent tournament in Kuala Lumpur from Decem-ber 10 to 15, which means he will miss Southgate's postponed Nationwide Anglia Cup third round match on December 15 against East Grinstead The European team is man

It was evident on Sunday the extent to which Barcelona, and to a lesser degree Majorca, kept the ball low. No more than one pass in 20 was hit above waist high This did not serve to make it an especially exciting game, but there is less of the frenzy and the permanent element of chance that exists in the English game. Overseas review, page 38

Time for a bow for those in the wings

By STUART JONES POOTBALL CORRESPONDENT

GRAHAM Taylor will today reward the members of the England squad who have been waiting in the wings. Most of the places in the B party, which is to play in Algeria next Tuesday, are expected to be filled by those who have acted as reserves or replacements.

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The international offers England's manager a convenient opportunity to examine the merits of players he might soon consider worthy of promotion. Apart from one controversial exception, all of his three senior line-ups have so far been based on the same designs as his predecessor, Bobby Robson.

Taylor could not reasonably start his international managerial career by omitting individuals who were responsible for reaching the semifinal of the World Cup. Even on the one occasion when he felt compelled to bring in an outsider, he turned to one of his old boys from Aston Villa,

Gordon Cowans. Had he been recalled for any purpose other than to reinforce the midfield in the Republic of Ireland, Taylor could justifiably have been criticised for a short-sighted policy. The future of Cowans. who had made only two spasmodic appearances for England in the previous seven years, is inevitably limited. He is 32.

Taylor has already indicated that he will not use the occasion in Algeria as a benefit match for smiliarly aged players who have not received international recognition. The emphasis will instead be on providing experience and continuing the development of comparative youngsters who are already on the edge of

contention.

Tony Daley, also of Villa, and Ian Wright, of Crystal Palace, are examples of those who have been chosen for the senior party. Both can expect to be invited to Algeria. Earl Barrett, the central defender who made such a notable contribution to Oldham Athletic's success last season, has cause for op-timism. David Burrows, a versatile member of Liverpool's rearguard, David Batty, the pugnacious Leeds United midfield player, and Manhew Le Tissier, Southampton's talented forward, could also be

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Spectators are being led a merry rain dance

IT has often been said that simplicity is the essential attraction of oneday cricket. The crowds are drawn because intricate knowledge is not necessary - everyone knows that each team bats for the same number of overs on the same day and that the winner is the one with the most

runs at the end.

In Australia, where the limitedovers game is increasingly predominant, the spectator is now being asked to contend with some complex diversions from this elementary script, new rules which may be well reasoned but could still endanger the appeal of instant

cricket to those without the time or inclination to graduate as experts.

Anyone who watched the first of this winter's World Series Cup games, in Sydney last Thursday, will be aware of the latest meddling with the basics, though whether they understand it is entirely

ALAN LEE on Australian tinkering with the rules of limited-overs cricket

New Zealand, batting second against Australia, having their in-nings delayed by the equivalent of four overs yet still having to chase the same target.

It was too much for certain members of the television comhave been too much for the majority of the 21,000 crowd. But the umpires, who are responsible for recalculating targets when weather

interferes, were strictly correct within the guidelines of an obscure playing condition only applicable in In the Australian Cricket Board's rulebook it comes under the heading of "Target Score" and reads: "If, due to suspension of play, the number of overs in the innings of

the team batting second has to be

the runs scored by the team batting first from the equivalent number of highest scoring overs, plus one." This is as clear as mud on first

inspection but evidently means that, for instance, if team A has scored 250 in 50 overs and team B is then restricted to 20 overs, their target score will be the sum of the most productive 20 overs enjoyed by team A, which might well be a daunting 150 or so. What is achieved by this rule is a

correction, if not a complete reversal, of the traditional imbalance towards the side batting second in a rain-affected match, and for the captains in the competition it demands a re-think of the acknowledged tendency to win the toss and invite the opposition to bat if there

So far as the spectator is concerned, however, it achieves hazy possibilities within an event which, like most off-the-peg entertainment. tord is named through 25 as, a third place, winning their only Medway Bears. It was a cause what you see is

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what you get.
There was confusion, too, during England's opening match, when John Wright, the New Zealand opener, fended a short ball from Devon Malcolm off his chin and was caught at second slip. Wright was half way to the pavilion before being alerted to the fact that the square-leg umpire had signalled no-

such as throwing, nor even for having too few fielders inside the

The no-ball was called because, in one-day cricket here, a ball that passes, or would pass, above shoulder height is illegitimate. In England, the regulation is different, relating to head-height, and is also interpreted more loosely.

Effectively, this rules out the bouncer and renders Malcolm, the quickest bowler in any of the three competing teams, less obviously effective. It was just another worry for England yesterday as they arrived in Canberra to violent

hailstorms and headed for Capital

Hill to meet a prime minister who

was still finding time to indulge his

passion for cricket, despite the pressure of weightier, global issues. Border's advice, page 41